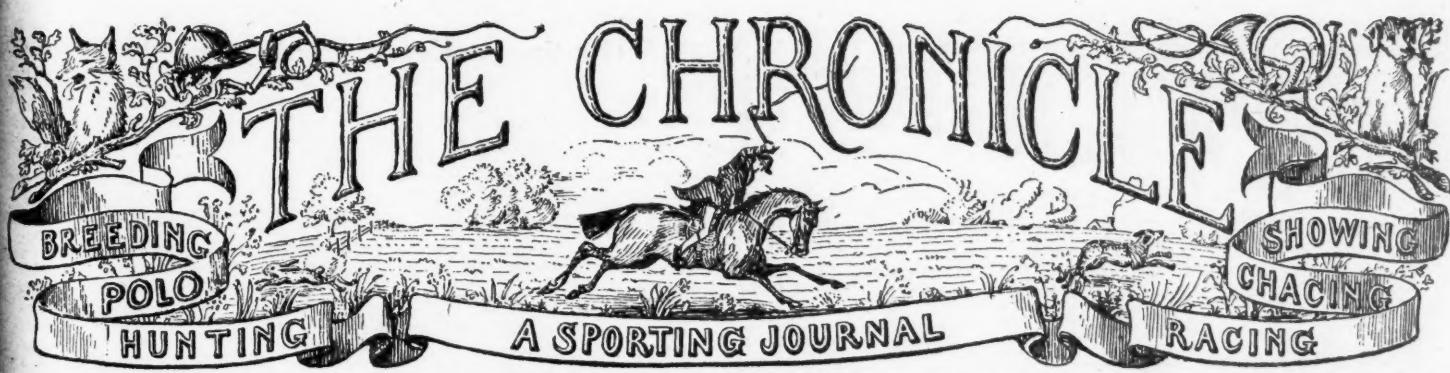


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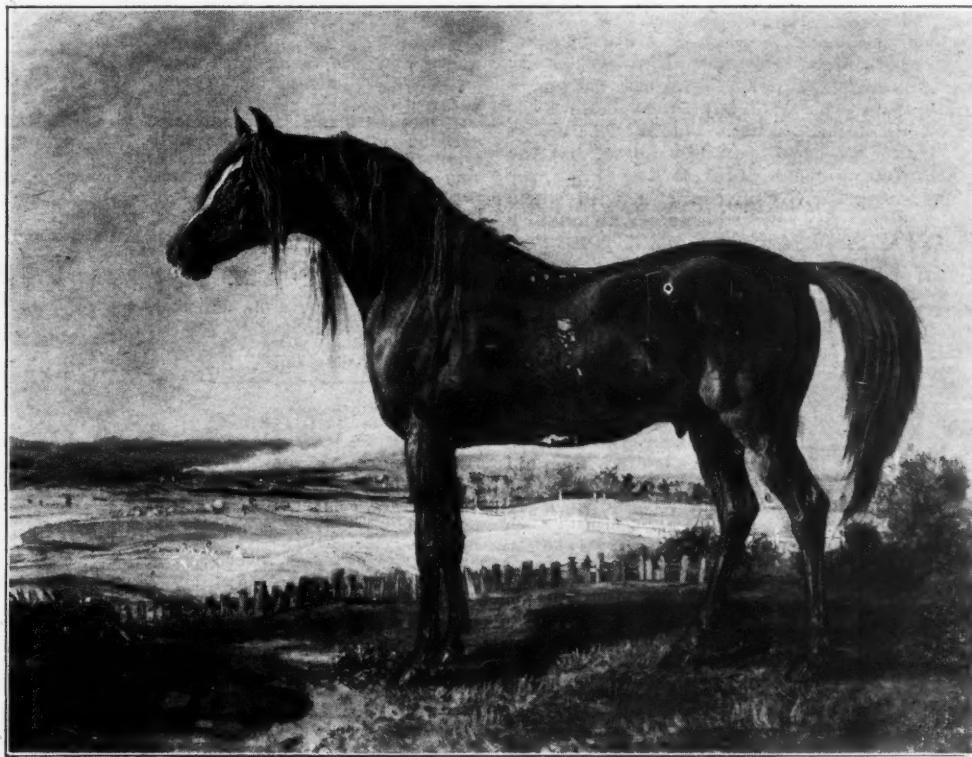
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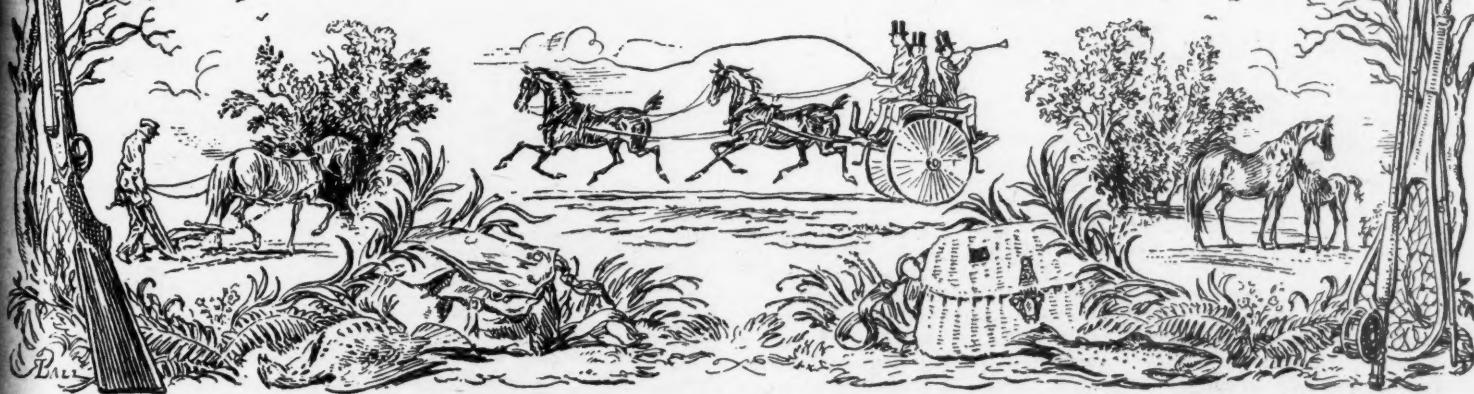
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GOOD COMPANIONS OF LONG STANDING

The 1950 amateur racing circuit is over for another year. The boys who ride for the fun of the game have hung up their racing silks, their racing tack and are waiting until after the Christmas holidays before heading south. In the meantime many are foxhunting with the local packs, others are breaking yearlings and still others are just getting out on an old hunter or a borrowed hack when time and business permit, just to keep the feel of the things.

Professional horsemen have a hard time figuring out the desire of the amateur to keep on riding. In fact, many a professional owner would never dream of getting on a horse at any time. Horses are bred to run with jockeys on board, not owners. This concept makes two worlds of the horse game. Both groups enjoy horses but the amateur lives with horses as companions, members of the family, the professional considers them as speculative investments with which to earn a profit. Their relative abilities reflect his or her own ability as a horseman in which each basks when winning and does his best to forget when losing.

With everyone holding their breath for fear of a national calamity, racing is prepared to urge the maintenance of sport at all costs to maintain national moral. This is surely a justified measure should Russian and Chinese communists decide the time is ripe to put on their big major effort to strike at Democracy. It would be a long, hard war and racing might well provide the needed relaxation to the public. On the other hand racing could conceivably be told to close its doors and if this were the case, the professional horsemen would suddenly find themselves with an unsaleable, unraceable, immovable commodity.

It has happened before, let us pray it will never befall us again for it would injure the major interests of thousands of men. Should such a thing happen, however, racing and breeding programs would again fall upon the responsibility of the amateur, the owners who don't race for profit, but for the joy of seeing their horses run over turf and over jumps. There is probably no single owner in the hunt meeting game that even expects to make money out of racing around the amateur circuit, even though he may hope to break even.

Purses are too small, the meetings are short one or two day affairs with training bills, traveling, stabling, eating up all of the possible purse profits. Such owners are prepared to stable horses whether those horses earn their keep or not. Statistics show there were 390 horses that participated in these 1950 hunt meetings. They ranged from all ages, but 192 were 6-year-olds and under, 198 were over 6. Racing these horses were 293 owners each doing it for the enjoyment he was getting out of the sport. Many, in fact a large preponderance, were owners with relatively few horses. Very few stables campaigned as many as 12 horses.

Such figures prove dyed in the wool sportsmen race at hunt meetings with a good grade of horses of average racing age. They are not beat-up has-beens with no other place to race, but horses owned by sportsmen who prefer to race for fun rather than for profit. The professional, skeptically, believes there must be a nigger in the wood pile somewhere. It hardly makes sense. But it does make sense to those who keep horses for pleasure and should national calamity strike this country, once again, the backbone of racing would be maintained by this loyal group of sporting owners, keeping their horses as members of the family. Times of crisis can wipe out racing profits and kill the incentive men have to race, but they never will destroy a sporting man's love of his horses and his desire to see them place well in good company just for sport's sake. In these days of tense anxiety one of the country's greatest strongholds for the maintenance of racing, still lies as it always has, in the foundation stone of sport itself, the joy a man has not only in owning good horses, but riding them, racing them, breeding them, using them as true companions of long standing.

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Letters To The Editor

Re: Hunting Scarlet

Dear Editor:

Subject to the publication of my article to The Chronicle earlier in the current year on the care of hunting things. During the close season I have made a very successful experiment with some discarded old scarlet with most wonderful results. I would like to impart this useful information for the benefit of your readers.

Make up this solution:

1-2 oz. salts of vitrinated tartar
1-2 oz. salts of sorrell
1-2 oz. salt of tartar
1-2 gal. of boiling soft water

When cooled color by using 1 to 2 dessert spoonsful of this dye.

1-2 oz. powdered cochineal dissolved in 1-2 pint of acetic acid. Leave the dye to settle a few days before using, pouring clear the sediment.

Method:

First of all clean the coat by using soft water, placing the coat inside out flat on a table with the collar uppermost. Water brush evenly all over, reverse, repeating the water brushing all over the coat on the outside.

Pour the renovator into a dish; applying with a small stiff brush, briskly in small parts from the collar downwards; afterwards water brushing, evenly all over to avoid any patchy drying out.

This is the process for a discolored old coat. For a coat which is only stained in places the solution will remove the stains by just applying where they are; afterwards water brushing, evenly all over to avoid any patchy drying out.

If these instructions are carried out, the results will be most gratifying for spent labors. I would be very interested to hear from any readers of the results obtained from the experiment.

With all good wishes for a good season.

Very sincerely yours,

Harold Chambers

Brocklesby
Habrough
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Memories

Dear Sir:

I am indebted to "Dunny" Eastham for a clipping from one of your recent issues that tells about Kays Blend winning at The National.

It revives so many memories of the dozens, or hundreds, of horses

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that I have had. As the "shadows" have begun on my hunting activities, I recall one of the most amusing. I was honored by being one of the judges at the National Fox Hounds trials at Leesburg years since.

Hounds came by a group that I was in, the only judge in sight, on a straight line. We had had no action for two days and it was important to register the numbers on hounds. After finding one gate fastened to delay me, I turned Greetings at it, and over it. Another loomed up in front and I decided that might be fastened also. Greetings sailed over this one also without a tip. They were full gates.

That night Judge J. R. H. Alexander (the Circuit Judge) told me that one of the guests asked him if that big old judge was drunk that morning. This was one of the golden horses I have hunted.

I really am ashamed of what I am going to do to Jamie McCormick within the next year. He has gotten all of my good ones lately except Psychic Dad that Mrs. Holladay got. I have 2 yearlings that I will "rob" him with.

Yours truly,

J. E. Keyser

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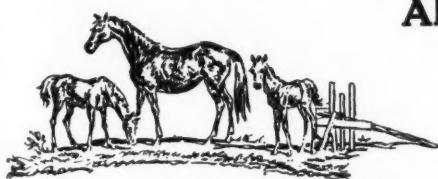


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Thoroughbreds

Former Show Horse Owners Win Bowie Memorial Stake With Pilate Gelding; Keeneland Sales Maintains Up Trend

Joe H. Palmer

The last stakes of the "regular" season was the Bryan and O'Hara Memorial at Bowie, and it was won by the 5-year-old Pilate gelding, Seaward, which was bred by Brookmeade Stable but now races for Hasty House Farm. Seaward put the final seal on what was a remarkable year for his owners, who are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reuben, of Toledo. Their primary interest, until recently, was show horses, a field in which they did very well. I can't say how well, because what I know about show horses would not fill out the rest of the paragraph, but I do know that Mrs. Reuben rode some of the horses in the shows, and that they were reasonably satisfied with the results they got.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben are not exactly new in racing, but they turned to it seriously last year, principally by buying two horses from Brookmeade—Seaward and Inseparable. Neither had been distinguished, though Inseparable, when he was a 2-year-old, had looked for a while as if he were going somewhere, though the only stakes he actually won was the Prince George Autumn Handicap at Bowie. As a yearling he had looked good enough that Brookmeade Stable paid \$32,000 for him, and he paid this back, and a little more, at 2.

When Hasty House Farm bought them, they looked like a couple of moderate horses, that you might win a race with now and then, but weren't headed for too much. But at the end of the season, between them, they had won \$165,895, which is a pretty fair first full season for anybody. Inseparable, with \$89,600 to his credit, has done just a little better than Seaward, which earned \$76,295, but the latter got in the last lick, for Inseparable ran 5th in the Bryan and O'Hara. Brookmeade, incidentally, threw a 3-horse entry at its former horses, starting Blue Hills, Dart By, and Picador, and for its trouble got \$1,500 in 4th money.

This also made quite a year for Harry Trotsuk, who trains Inseparable and Seaward, for you remember that he had himself an interesting early spring with Oil Capitol. He's quite young, as trainers go, and this was certainly his most successful season.

That final figures from the Keeneland Fall Sales showed an average lower than last year's—\$1,747 to \$1,919—not to be accepted as any sort of trend. Yearlings were up the latter by \$1,472 to \$996, and these are the only dependable comparisons. Stallions are so few, and vary so much in quality, that they

give no line at all, and this is also true of horses in training. The big drop this year was in the averages for broodmares, which went from \$3,120 down to \$1,753, but this was because the 1949 sale included the dispersal of the mares from the estate of Crispin Oglebay, a choice band in which one price went as high as \$61,000.

The overall picture of horse sales, with increases in yearling prices both in the Keeneland and Saratoga Sales, and now continued in the Fall Sales, is thus highly encouraging and I should judge, unexpected. The trouble is that it is encouraging, because it will encourage present breeders to produce more horses, and will encourage new people to get into breeding. What we'll do with any more horses I can't say, because it looks like we're not going to get to build any more stalls for a while. If there is war, as there seems an excellent chance to be, these new horses are going to be along just about in time to be worth nothing at all.

In Louisville recently a dinner was held for Wathen Knebelkamp, who had just got appointed to the Kentucky State Racing Commission. One of the speakers was Larry MacPhail, who was expected to get up and say what a fine man Knebelkamp was, and how they had knocked around in baseball together, and now nice it was that Kentucky had a good commissioner, and then tell a couple of funny stories. This proves that the program chairman wasn't too well acquainted with MacPhail.

He did, eventually, get around to saying the expected pleasant things about Knebelkamp, but before that he gave everybody hell, and people were still talking, not always favorably, about it when I visited Lexington recently. They seemed to me to be overlooking the point that while what MacPhail said was not pleasant, it was also true. He said the one problem that racing had to face was the fact that racketeers and gangsters and small-time hoodlums have muscled into it. Well, they have, and while an isolated few have been thrown back out in some states which require owners licenses, a good many have been left in, and even those thrown out in New York, say, can go and race somewhere else.

He said that racing commissions too often are merely political debts, and they are. I used to cover conventions of racing commissions, and the main job was to teach them what racing was like. I'm almost ashamed to repeat this story, having already got a lot of mileage out of it, but there was once a commis-

***Fast And Fair and
*Siliatia II Top
Howard Estate Sale**

One of the finest collections of "international" Thoroughbred blood went under the hammer at Santa Anita Park on Monday, November 27. This was the occasion of the Howard Dispersal sale, made up of horses purchased from all parts of the world, by the late Charles Howard.

*Siliatia II, dam of stakes winner Drumbeat, was lead away to the chant of \$15,000 by Jack Gironda,

ioner who, being asked what he thought ought to be done about breakage, said he thought whoever did it ought to pay for it. This may be an extreme case, but I've seen a lot of racing commissioners, and it didn't surprise me much.

MacPhail was technically wrong when he said that racing had no representation in Washington during the previous war, and so was banned when other sports were continued, but he was right in principle. Racing wasn't adequately represented, it had no advance warning of the ban, and it was in no position to fight for its existence. That situation could come up again, the way things are going.

In other words, a good deal of MacPhail's speech consisted of disagreeable truths. The notion here is that the emphasis should go on the noun, not the adjective.

for the top priced broodmare of the vendue. The 5 mares (Chiquita Mia, Alma Mater, Sea Spray, *Vancouver, and *Blackie II) sold with a free service to *Noor, were claimed for an average of \$7,280 by far-sighted buyers.

It may well be that Mr. and Mrs. John T. deBlois Wack have the bargain of the sale in the \$3000 top priced yearling, a brown son of *Fast and Fair—Carmachita by *Sickle. This fellow has a double cross of Phalaris, and is a half-brother to Yankee Dandy, winner of the California Breeders Champion Stakes.

W. L. Brann of Glade Valley, succeeded through Dan W. Scott, Agent in haltering the 7-year-old bay son of Fairway—Quixotic, *Fast and Fair. This English stakes winner has quite a job cut out for him to even come close to his predecessor, *Challenger II. He cost the Maryland breeder \$17,000, to top the sale offerings. *Mahmoud's grey son, Sabu, from the Tetratema mare, *Goldrim went to John D. Hertz for \$10,000. It may be that he will figure strongly in Mr. Hertz' in-breeding to The Tetrarch. Eucalyptus Hill Farm, San Mateo, California, now has a replacement for the deceased stallion Trierarch, since Mrs. D. P. Barrett purchased *Fair Truckle, for \$10,000.

Total for the 9 stallions was \$48,500, with an average of \$5,389; Total 71 broodmares, \$141,200, average, \$1,988; Total 28 yearlings, \$36,700, average \$1,310; Total 108 head, \$226,400, average, \$2,096.

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Breeding Notes

Algashir Stakes Winner of Some \$65,475 Has Coins Stacked Against Him; Knockdown May Stand In Virginia

Once upon a time... Back in 1946 Alpoise, a daughter of the great Equipoise, foaled a bay colt by "Sir Gallahad III" at the Lexington farm of A. C. Ernst. Alpoise, bred by Mr. Ernst, is a granddaughter of the great mare Cleopatra, by Corcyra, stakes winner of \$55,937 and dam of Pompey.

This little fellow was to be named Algashir and was to be a stakes winner of some \$65,475 to date, a nice enough horse but the coins were stacked against him so that now whenever reference is made to him, it is often in a slurring manner.

Before Algashir could get to the races, Alwin C. Ernst died on May 13, 1948 and the gelding went to the races for Trainer John Skirvin, who leased him as well as other members of the Ernst Stable. In his first start on June 16, 1948, the bay streaked 4 1-2 furlongs in the world record time of .50 4-5 in the Essex Purse during the United Hunt's meeting at Belmont Park. Algashir went on to make 4 more starts for Lessee-trainer Skirvin, winning 2 including the Flash Stakes, placing 2nd once, and then unplaced twice. To the close of his campaign for J. H. Skirvin, he won \$14,450. On August 21 the estate of A. C. Ernst was

put up for auction and Algashir was knocked down, gently, to the late Mrs. F. A. Clark for \$106,000, top price paid for a 2-year-old gelding.

In his first appearance on the track for this fine sportswoman in the Babylon Handicap, he ran in 2nd position into the stretch, but at the finish he was the winner by 1 3-4 lengths over Olympia the pacesetter, which was 8 lengths in front of his nearest rival. He made 3 more starts in '48, winning 2, including the Cowdin Stakes, again over Olympia and was unplaced once. He retired for the year with earnings of \$43,975, of which \$29,975 belonged to Mrs. Clark. As a 3-year-old in 1949 he earned only \$2,050. His best effort was only good enough for a 2nd behind Ocean Drive in the St. James Handicap, although he held Blue Lancer, Imacoming, Count-a-Bit, and Parliament safe. This year he has made a total of 18 starts, and for Mrs. Clark won 3 races, 2nd 5 times, 3rd 4 times and out of the money twice, earning for her \$11,750. Upon this lady's death, he was once more put up for auction and sold to H. A. Kimball for \$26,000. For this owner-trainer, he has made 5 starts in which he has been 1st 4 times and 2nd once. To date he is a winner

of some \$65,475. Algashir is now headed for Gulfstream Park racing, and should be able to return some of H. A. Kimball's purchase money.

Kitchen Police, the 7-year-old chestnut son of Discovery—Galley Slave, by "Gino, belonging to Gustave Ring, will stand the 1951 season at North Cliff Farm, Rixeyville, Va. This handsome fellow was a stakes winner of \$48,650 and was bred by A. G. Vanderbilt at Sagamore Farm. A few of his victories were in the Damon Runyon and Heister Handicaps; 2nd in the Dade County, Baltimore Spring, and Hialeah Inaugural Handicaps, as well as being in the money on numerous other occasions. His dam, Galley Slave, was bred by W. S. Kilmer at Court Manor in Virginia and was purchased at the Saratoga Sales in August 1937 by Thomas B. Cromwell for \$2,300, who shortly resold her to A. G. Vanderbilt. At this sale, Mr. Vanderbilt purchased a chestnut colt by Display—Ariadne from Mereworth Stud for \$20,000 that went on to fame under the name of Discovery.

Galley Slave was a member of the 20 yearlings from Court Manor by "Gino, whose get were making their first appearance in our sales ring. Sally's Alley, dam of Galley Slave, was a stakes winner, coping among others, the Futurity and the Pimlico Futurity and some \$104,362. Galley Slave made 3 starts (all in California) as a 2-year-old winning each. She established a world's record of .32 4-5 for 3 furlongs at Santa Anita. This record was replaced by Don Conejo and Distaff on February 2 and 22nd respectively in 1946 to .32 3-5, which in turn was lowered by King Rhymers on February 27 in 1947 to .32. At 3, Galley Slave was not her former self winning but 1 start in 7, placing 2nd once, and 3rd once.

Slave Bracelet, a 2-year-old full sister to Kitchen Police, broke her maiden on Tuesday, November 28, at Hollywood Park for A. G. Vanderbilt. The Winfrey-trained miss scored over a field of 12 juveniles, leading from start to finish. With such stalwart family connections backing him up, Kitchen Police should do alright at stud.

Joining Kitchen Police and the home-bred Fugit at the Churches' establishment will be Mrs. Marion duPont Scott's Bolingbroke. The 13-year-old horse by Equipoise—Wayabout, by Fair Play was a top stakes winner from 3 to 7 years of age, earning a total of \$161,270. He entered the stud in 1945 and although it was predicted by some that his get would be slow to develop as he had been, he was represented by 6 2-year-old winners from 15 registered foals in his first crop. To the close of October this year, 25 of his progeny from 59 registered foals have won as 2-year-olds.

One of his 2-year-old colts, Bolingbroke, from the mare Riot Call

Duke of Wellington's Copenhagen By Meteor Painted By James Ward

The picture on the cover is by the celebrated British 19th century artist, James Ward, and shows the stallion Copenhagen, the Duke of Wellington's charger whom he rode for 18 hours during the battle of Waterloo. The horse was a chestnut, standing 15 hands, and was by Meteor—Lady Catherine, by John Bull. His sire, Meteor ran 2nd in the Derby of 1786 having been bred by Lord Grosvenor in 1783.

The painting is now in this country on exhibit at Scott and Fowles Gallery and was first exhibited at the Royal Academy in London in 1824. The horse's dam was also bred by Lord Grosvenor in 1796. She was in foal when her owner General Grosvenor was at the siege of Copenhagen when he used her as his charger and from which occasion the foal took its name.

Copenhagen was raced on the turf and ran 3rd to Sorcery at Newmarket in 1811, then he won a race against Brother To Spaniard. He won a sweepstakes at Huntingdon, and was 3rd for the Gold Cup. Altogether he won 3 races at 3 and ran twice at 4, coming in 2nd and 3rd and was then taken out of training in 1812 and presented to the Duke of Wellington where he joined the army.

Copenhagen was apparently not everybody's ride being short in temper and quick with his heels. Apparently after the battle of Waterloo and 18 hours in the saddle, he did his best to land a well aimed kick at his famous master as the latter dismounted. The Duke commented on him, "There may be faster horses, no doubt handsomer, but for bottom and endurance, I never saw his fellow." The army veterans referred to Copenhagen as that there "oss 'e kicks out." But as they also referred to his owner as "the long nosed bastard who beats the French" such remarks can be taken in the spirit with which they were made.

Copenhagen died in 1836 and was buried at Strathfield Saye. The Duchess of Wellington wrote of his days of retirement, "He trots after me eating bread out of my hand and wagging his tail like a little dog." He was bred to a number of horses, his sire being a son of Eclipse but his greatest fame in life was as Wellington's charger.

On his tombstone is inscribed the following verse.

"God's humble instrument, though meaner clay,
Should share the glory of that glorious day."

by Crusader, set a new track record at Bay Meadows for 5 1-2 furlongs in 1:05 1-5. Bolingbroke is also represented on the infield with the stakes winner over hurdles, Joe Hogan, a son of Stimminie, by Stimulus.

As yet plans are still incomplete but it is hoped that the 1946 Santa Anita Derby winner, Knockdown will also take up residence at this Virginia Farm. Knockdown, by Discovery—Bride Elect, by High Time, collected some \$160,145 for Maine Chance Farm. If this stakes winner arrives, North Cliff Farm will have quite a strong collection of Fair Play Blood.

—K. K.



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Aidan Roark

Since the start of the second half of the Hollywood Park split meeting the attendance and handle has not come up to expectations, and no one seems to know the reason. It isn't the weather because apart from a couple of dampish days and a bit of late afternoon fog, conditions have been pleasant enough. My guess is that the high rate of employment in this area is keeping people busy and that Christmas shopping is draining off some of the cash which might otherwise find its way to the track. But if attendance and betting are off, the quality of racing is up. Hollywood has never had so many good horses on the grounds and those who for one reason or another have stayed away have been missing as good sport as anyone could wish to see.

The crowd of 26,000 which turned out on opening day got a taste of what was in store for them when 4 horses finished heads apart in the 7-furlong Premiere Handicap. Star Fiddle, a 4-year-old gelding by High Strung and weighted at 108 pounds, made all the running and held on long enough to stave off a tremendous closing rush by the even money favorite, Your Host, with top weight of 126 pounds. A whisker behind this pair came Calumet Farms' Bewitch and Yolo Stables' Great Circle, both closing fast. The winner covered the route in 1:22 1-5 and is trained by the very successful R. H. (Red) McDaniel. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith gave \$16,000 for Star Fiddle last summer and some of the experts felt sorry for them when he finished dead last in his next outing. The Smiths, however, have the last laugh. They netted \$21,000 for this event, and prior to that Star Fiddle won two purses in a row in their colors. With all due respect to the winner, Your Host should have won the race and would have in another stride or two. He was off slowly for him and had some difficulty in finding room.

A week later Your Host came back to win the Golden State Breeders Handicap from a small field which included Alfred Vanderbilt's champion filly Next Move. He toted 124 pounds to 118 for the filly and beat her by slightly more than a length in 1:42 3-5 for 1 1-16 miles. Your Host was well away this time, took the lead before leaving the backstretch, turned into the stretch with an advantage of 2 lengths and won fairly comfortably. Nevertheless, the Vanderbilt miss gave him a real run for his money. She had fine speed and showed that she has real heart by coming again through the stretch to narrow the margin between them.

I am not too sure what happened at the start of the 7-furlong Laddie Stakes or what went on down the backstretch, because a thickish mist hung over that part of the track. But I do know that the race was won by a War Dog colt known as Phil D. He was 2 lengths in front of Pat's Own and Gold Capitol at the wire, and they were ahead of 9 other colts. So much for that. But little as I know of the Laddie, I know even less about the Lassie for 2-year-old fillies. This time a really dense blanket of fog drifted in from the ocean and nothing was seen of the field until well after they turned into the stretch. Sickle's Image, which a sharp-sighted friend told me won the race is the only horse owned by Clarence Hartwick. She is by Sickletoy, (deceased) and out of Ariel Image, all of which means very little to me. She was conceived in Michigan and first saw the light of day in Kentucky. She covered the 6 furlongs in 1:10 flat, beat 9 other fillies and picked up \$21,750 for her trouble. I suspect she was either equipped with radar or had the help of a seeing eye dog. Anyway, that's my story and I'm going to stick to it.

The same day the Laddie was decided, King Ranch sent out Curandero to pull an upset win over the

odds-on Calumet team of Ponder and Bewitch. This pair seemed to be playing a waiting game and wanting to see which could close fastest, but they waited too long and did not close fast enough to catch Curandero which simply kept plugging along to beat Valquest by a length in a fast 1:36 mile. Ponder was running over everything at the finish, Bewitch was looking back at him and a good time was had by all.

Old man Assault got out of his wheelchair for the time necessary to show some younger sprouts that he still has what it takes. And he gave the Australian Bernbrook, full brother to *Shannon II, and several other entries a sharp lesson. W. J. (Buddy) Hirsch had the old horse looking and apparently feeling in great form, for he just made a show of the opposition. He went to the front right from the start and stayed there all the way to win in a common canter. The time 1:22 4-5 was

very good considering the track was still dull from rains earlier in the week. It was a very impressive performance after being away from racing for more than a year, and if he continues to train well, it would not be at all surprising if he makes *Noor, Hill Prince and company look to their laurels before the winter is over. I often wish someone would write a book about the doings of the old warriors who come back to confound the prophets every so often. There must be many thousands of people like myself who become a bit misty eyed every time some tottering giant forgets his aching joints long enough to humble the upstarts clamoring for his throne. I doubt if there's a horseman born who wouldn't want such a book.

Next Move coasted to a very easy victory in the Cinderella at 1 1-16 miles. The Vanderbilt filly had slight opposition, but her manner of doing the job suggested she wouldn't have had much trouble with any of her sex. This was her seventh stake win of the year and brought her lifetime earnings to about \$225,000. Incidentally, Alfred Vanderbilt is having a very good season here and his horses are knocking off purses with great regularity. It is a great pleasure to see horses looking so well and so well turned out. Everything I've seen from this stable has looked fit and the picture of health. Unfor-

tunately, the same cannot be said of some other stables.

The Thanksgiving Day Handicap at 1 1-16 miles, was as good a race as I have ever seen and resulted in a brilliant victory for Your Host. He just did last to win by a nose from Ponder, with Hill Prince another nose back, but he did last and in my book goes down as the best middle distance horse in the country. It was a tremendously exciting finish, particularly as they approached the last furlong when it was clear that it was going to be a question of eyelashes at the wire. Hill Prince had top weight of 128 pounds with Ponder and Your Host at 124, and Great Circle. The latter has always been one of my pets and it was very gratifying to see him run a bang up 4th to be within 2 lengths of the winner while not having any too much racing room. Your Host was clocked in 1:41 4-5, which is only 1-5 off the track record.

Everyone is looking forward to the \$100,000 Hollywood Gold Cup to be run over 1 1-4 miles on December 9. It will probably attract a brilliant field, including Hill Prince, Ponder, Your Host, Great Circle, Assault, Palestinian, *Noor and some of the top fillies. It ought to be a spine tingler if they all go postward. I would have to give Hill Prince a slight edge. But *Noor is working very well, and on his track record performance of Dec. 2, he will be hard to beat.

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MACBETH

started 6 times at 2, won 4 times and was second twice. He set a new track record at Monmouth, 5½ furlongs in 1:04-4/5, led all the way. He won at 6 furlongs at Garden State in 1:11-4/5, was second to Itsabet in Garden State Stakes, under top weight; second, also, in William Penn Stakes, beaten a nose.

In April of his 3-year-old form, MACBETH won the Camden Handicap at 6 furlongs from a field of top older sprinters which included King Dorsett, Kitchen Police, Buzfuz. He was second in the \$50,000 Jersey Stakes, 1½ miles, to Citation in track record time; second, also, in a 1-1/16 mile race at Monmouth (carrying 122 lbs.) in which the winner equalled the track mark.

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Blue Larkspur Leads 'Chasing Sires

***Tourist II and Blue Larkspur Tie For Number of Stakes Winners; Latter Leads In Amount of First Monies Won By Get**

Frank Talmadge Phelps

Blue Larkspur, a stallion that died three years ago, was the leading sire of jumpers at the major United States tracks during 1950. He led all other sires in amount of first monies, number of races and number of stakes events won by his get over the obstacles.

The son of Black Servant—Blossom Time, by *North Star III, got steeplechasers which captured 7 races worth \$40,820 in first monies. Five of those victories came in added-money events.

Blue Larkspur's offspring had to be content with a tie for top honors in number of jumping stakes winners among them. Two of them won over the fences: Oedipus and Larky Day. Both were successful in stakes. This equalled the record of *Tourist II, which also had 2 steeplechase stakes winners: Trough Hill and Tourist List.

The only department in which Blue Larkspur failed to gain at least a share of first place was in number of winners. Here Annapolis prevailed with three: Semper Eadem, Lone Fisherman and The Mast. Only the former has triumphed in stakes this season.

Oedipus has been Blue Larkspur's best representative in infield events. Indeed, Mrs. Ogden Phipps' 4-year-old brown gelding has been, statistically speaking, the outstanding jumper of the year. He has earned more (\$31,300 in first monies); captured more races (5); and annexed more stakes (4) than any other horse in his division.

Oedipus' stakes decisions have included the Aqueduct Spring Maiden, Shillelah, Broad Hollow and Brook Steeplechase Handicaps. In the Shillelah, he started a trend by setting a new record of 4:10 2-5 for the Saratoga 'chasing course of about 2 miles. That mark was lowered twice in the next two weeks. Oedipus has also placed in the Beverwyck, Grand National and Temple Gwathmey; and showed in the Saratoga.

Prior to this season, Mrs. Phipps' gelding had only one victory and \$3,645 to show for 13 starts.

Bred by the late Colonel E. R. Bradley's Idle Hour Farm, Oedipus is a full brother to But Why Not, the best 3-year-old filly of 1947, winner of the Pimlico Oaks, Acorn and Alabama Stakes, Arlington Matron, Beldame, Firenze and Top Flight Handicaps, Arlington Classic

and \$295,155. The second dam, Black Helen, was the best 3-year-old filly of 1945, victor in the Florida and American Derbies, Coaching Club American Oaks and Maryland Handicap. Black Helen is a full sister to Big Hurry and Bimelech; a half-sister to Biologist, Baby League, Big Event and Bee Ann Mac.

Oedipus is inbred to Black Toney with two free generations.

Blue Larkspur's other successful steeplechaser of the season has been Harry LaMontagne's Larky Day. This 9-year-old brown gelding has won 2 jumping events and \$9,520 in first monies.

One of his victories was a 25-length decision in the Glendale Steeplechase Handicap. He also finished 2nd in the Bushwick Hurdle Handicap.

Last year, Larky Day captured the Pimlico Spring Maiden and Cherry Malotte Steeplechases, 3 other races and \$16,380.

Up until the age of 6 Larky Day was a flat racer. At that calling, he took the Broadwalk and Brandywine Handicaps, Bostwick Stakes, 15 other events and \$94,242.

Bred by Harry B. Scott, Larky Day is out of Fairy Day, a daughter of Man o'War—Ides, by *Archaic. The third dam, Springtime, was a half-sister to the 1908 Alabama Stakes winner Mayfield; and to May Dora, dam of *Snob II and *Romany, Mai, the next dam, was a full sister to Colonial Girl, which triumphed in the 1904 Clark Handicap.

In addition to these two steeplechase stakes winners, Blue Larkspur has been represented on the flat this year by Three Rings, winner of the Royal Palm, McLennan, Queens County, Edgemere and All American (deadheat with Dart By) Handicaps; and by the Sequoia Stakes victor Hawley.

Although the Bradley-bred sire is dead, steeplechase breeders will find several of Blue Larkspur's sons and even a few of his grandsons scattered from one coast to the other.

Kentucky has the largest contingent, including Blue Flyer, Bold and Bad, Best Seller, Blue Swords, Broke Even and Revoked.

Blue Flyer, a 13-year-old full brother to Lightspur and Blue Delight, has sired the 1947 Jeanne d'Arc Stakes winner Petit Bleu. His dam is the *Chicle mare Chicleight.

Bold and Bad, out of *Knockaney Bridge, by Bridge of Earn, is a winning full brother to Bloodroot and Brooklyn; and a half-brother to Brookfield.

Best Seller captured the Beulah Park Governor's (twice) Skokie, Motor City and Churchill Downs Handicaps, and two runnings of the Equipoise Mile. His best offspring to date has been Best Doings, victor in the 1949 Constitution Handicap. The 12-year-old stallion is from Bazaar, a daughter of Tetrateema, (Eng.)

Blue Swords took the Easton Shore Remsen and Ardsley Handicaps. The 12-year-old sire is out of Flaming Swords, by Man o'War. His get include Blue Dart, which triumphed in the 1949 Will Rodgers

Stakes.

California can claim such sons of Blue Larkspur as Brooklyn and It Happened. The latter is a winning 6-year-old full brother to Blue Swords.

Brooklyn annexed the 1936 Walden Handicap. The 16-year-old full brother to Bloodroot and half-brother to Brooklyn, has sired Pilot Sis, which acquired the 1947 California Derby.

Other prominent sons of Blue Larkspur now serving at stud include Boxthorn in Maryland, Bottom Step in Illinois, Bluebeard in Rhode Island and Sidney Carton in Washington.

Boxthorn won the Saratoga Special, Commonwealth, San Felipe and Bay Meadows Speed Handicaps. His best offspring has been El Lobo, which captured the Burlingame, San Antonio and Hollywood Premiere Handicaps, and \$130,325. The 18-year-old stallion is out of *Doreid, by Galloping Simon.

Bluebeard took the 1935 Santa Catalina and San Pasqual Handicaps. The 18-year-old half-brother to Herodiade, Black Majesty, Pilate, Pompa and Crotala is from The Tetrarch's great daughter *Herodias.

Probably the best known of Blue Larkspur's grandsons that have been retired to stud is Blue Lancer, the 4-year-old son of Blue Swords—Oconee, by Whiskalong. The victor in the 1949 Farrell Handicap and Swift Stakes served his first season in Kentucky this year.

The Jockey Club

Many Functions Performed By Racing Organization Stabilizes and Furthers The Good of the Sport

Dr. Eslie Asbury

The New York Jockey Club is the oldest and most important of all American Thoroughbred organizations, combining some functions of both the English Jockey Club and the English Thoroughbred Breeders Association. The value of the New York Jockey Club and its members individually to the health of racing cannot be overestimated. As keepers of the American Stud Book and the official custodians and arbiters of all official records, as formulators of the rules of racing, their sincerity and integrity is unquestioned. The arrangement by which the Jockey Club cooperates with the New York Racing Commission, the stewardship aid to all New York tracks, and the active participation as owners and operators of various tracks by individual members are further contributions to high class flat racing and steeplechasing. To prevent the need of punitive disciplinary measures, a careful scrutiny of all applicants for licenses as owners, trainers, and jockeys is made but all wrong doing is dealt with without fear or favor. The handicapper and racing secretary appointed by the Club is permitted a free hand to allot weights without prejudice to provide better purses for better horses and is encouraged to write a high percentage of races into the condition book to include fillies and mares and intermediate horses and backs him up by running these races even with only a few entries. The example set by the members of the Jockey Club in their conduct as citizens, their participa-

tion in civic affairs, their support of the yearling market, their development of high class breeding stock, makes this group at once the bellwether and the backbone of American racing. While avoiding a dictatorial role, the Jockey Club exerts most of its influence in a quiet and unassuming manner. Without euphemism, it can be said that the sum total of the efforts of this body results not only in the "improvement of the breed" of horses but, even more important, the "improvement in the breed of breeders." Such activities constantly attract new and valuable recruits to the ranks of owners, in respect of which everyone connected with the sport in the United States profits either directly or indirectly.

The Thoroughbred Club of America (Lexington) was the first of its kind, founded about 1931. Speaking as a member only, I can say that, though its active membership lives largely in central Kentucky, it has some members from all parts of the country and its activities are of value to all breeders of Thoroughbreds. It counts among its members owners, trainers, and farm managers, etc. This club meets twice a month. At each meeting there is a serious address by someone who has done outstanding work in research on breeding problems or the talk may be made on any subject of interest in connection with racing or breeding such as soil, pastures, nutrition, training, selection of breeding stock, etc., always by someone particularly qualified. The nearby Research station at the University of Kentucky provides a lot of material and speakers. When these addresses are of sufficient general interest, they are reported in the Blood Horse and Thoroughbred Record. Once a year the club chooses an individual whose activities have contributed materially to help racing and breeding and honors him appropriately at the annual banquet. This custom is now a tradition and that the qualifying bars have never been lowered for mere expediency is testified to by the roster of those honored (see list) including E. R. Bradley, W. R. Woodward, George and Joseph Widenor, Louie Beard, Mrs. Payne Whitney, Ed. S. Moore, W. duPont, and many others. This club has had many high class presidents under whose regimes the club has started many useful movements. Since we have no Free Handicap ratings for 3-year-olds and older horses, the club recently started an annual yardstick for classifying according to ability all our outstanding runners. In general, the Thoroughbred Club of America is run so interestingly that it is always avidly attended by all members who can possibly get there. It not only provides a forum for discussion of a wide variety of educational matters but, because of its maturity and restraint, its opinions and recommendations carry influence with everyone connected with the sport and business of racing and breeding.

The Thoroughbred Club of America is the parent organization of the National Association of Thoroughbred breeders (formerly Clubs)—(not to be confused with the organization owners of the Blood Horse, Research Fund, etc. called National Thoroughbred Breeders Assn. headed by Jack Whitney)—composed of the Thoroughbred Club of Tennessee, the Thoroughbred Club of Kentucky (Louisville), the Ohio Valley Thoroughbred Club (greater Cincinnati), the Thoroughbred Clubs of the states of Wyoming, California, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, Washington, Oregon, and soon we hope many others including Virginia, New Jersey, and Michigan. These clubs have a varying program depending on their particular problems and location. Wherever the membership is concentrated in one locality, regular luncheon meetings similar to those of the Thoroughbred Club of Amer-

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LEADING TIMBER HORSE

ESTER'S MOON, b. g. (7) by Aloha Moon—dam unknown. Owner: Mrs. John Strawbridge, Jr. Trainer: D. Jacobs. 4 wins over timber. Winner of \$1,650 in 1st monies.

LEADING HURDLE HORSE

BAB'S WHEY, ch. f. (3) by Milkman—Beaubabs, by *Gino. Breeder: Mrs. Fay Ingalls. Owner: Mrs. Fay Ingalls. Trainer: W. B. Cocks. 3 wins over hurdles. Winner of \$3,125 in 1st monies.

LEADING FLAT HORSE

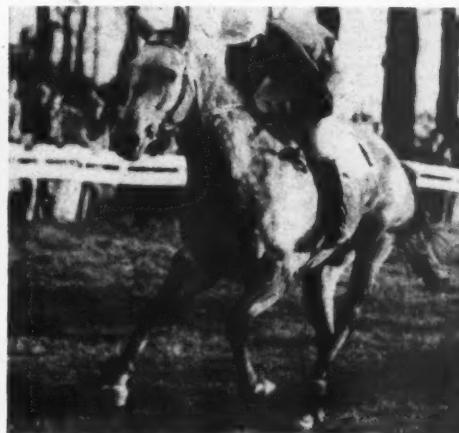
ARCTIC FOX, gr. g. (5) by On Quest—Blonde Baby, by Bubbling Over. Breeder: S. E. Pershall. Owner: R. K. Mellon. Trainer: Sidney Watters, Jr. 5 wins on the flat.

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TOM "RED" GUY, 6-goal International polo player who is making ponies in Boise and Macall. He is also playing with the local team in Boise and California.

November Marks the Official End of Polo For The Boise Club

Dabney Taylor

November marks the official end of the 1950 season for the Boise Polo Club. There will be three games a week until the field becomes too hard from frost to continue longer. As of now most of the players have turned their horses out for a well earned rest. Exceptions are Frank Fletcher, John Stringer and Red Guy, who are getting their mounts ready for shipment to California where they will play during the winter months.

Without question this has been the most successful season in recent times for the Boise Club. First, in the number of young players, such as Johnny and Walt Cranston, Jr., Ike Milligan and Johnny Barginer, who have been hard at it and show decided improvement. Some old time players are back again in the game. Especially welcome to Chet Keltner.

Boise got off to a lucky start with their Green team winning the spring tournament from Toppenish, Washington at the home field. Other teams represented were: Spokane and the Boise Red Devils.

The death of Lucky Johnson, president of the Boise Club and Captain of the Green team, when his pony fell on him during a game with the Sheridan, Wyoming club, occurred on September 24 at Spokane during the Inland Empire Polo Tournament.

It was a sorrowful blow, but knowing that the game was all important to him, his fellow players never let down and continued playing the tournament although seriously handicapped, not only by Johnson's death, but by the bad fall taken by Bill Drake on the playing field, and Walt Cranston, Sr. sustaining a broken shoulder.

Two all Spokane teams, the Blue and Red, fought out the champion-

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Lucky Johnson Meets Death During Boise And Sheridan Game

Dabney Taylor

Some time in the history of a sport appears the figure of a man who seems to be its highest exemplar. Such a man in polo was Lester "Lucky" M. Johnson, captain of the Boise Polo Team who met his death when his pony fell on him during a game between Boise and Sheridan, Wyoming, September 24, 1950 in the course of the first annual Pacific Northwest polo tournament held at Spokane, Washington.

The accident occurred during the second game of the tournament with the score 4-4. On his mare Tar Baby, Johnson took the ball down the side on a long run to the goal. He angled an under neck shot toward the goal when a Sheridan player ran into him causing his horse to fall. He died on the polo field.

At the request of his wife, Mrs. Sylvia Gardner B. Johnson, the tournament continued to its conclusion. It is to be known in future as the Pacific Northwest Johnson Memorial Tournament.

Lucky was an official of the Idaho First National Bank and president of the Boise Polo Club. He had been a keen polo player since 1924 after he joined the Idaho National Guard at the age of 16. He played on many outstanding tournament teams and from the first showed unusual horsemanship and grasp of the game. He played any position with distinction but was an outstanding 2. Lucky was always willing to trade his position with any other player who felt uncertain or nervous in his. He was always kind and unassuming to the green player and veteran alike and the crowds adored him for what he was—a true sportsman.

Lucky, with the help of his wife managed, trained, and exercised his ponies. Together they showed that polo could be well played on an

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BOISE POLO CLUB'S GREEN TEAM. Left to right: F. Fletcher, W. Cranston, Sr., the late Lucky Johnson and W. Cranston, Jr.

Handicap List For Indoor Polo

Two Hundred Active Players Ranked In Active Competition For 1951 With Top 10-Goal Rating To Combs

Bill Goodrich

Now that Dr. Clarence C. (Buddy) Combs, the Eatontown, N. J. veterinarian, is a 9-goal player, as voted recently by the handicap committee of the Indoor Polo Association of America, Inc., is the 10-goal status a likelihood.

Yes, it is.

Combs, a well rounded player, can join Winston Guest in that honor. The inactive Guest is the only indoor poloist ever to scale the 10-goal heights. Presently, Combs is the lone active 9-goaler in the winter sport. Mike Phipps and Stewart Iglehart are handicapped on 9-goals but are carried on the inactive list.

George C. Sherman, Jr., president of the indoor group, announced the new handicap list which revealed that there are 241 players riding in active competition in the United States.

Peter Perkins of Oak Brook, and Al Parsells of Squadron A, rank behind Combs. Both are listed as 8-goal players. Perkins is presently in Buenos Aires where he is representing the United States in the Cup of the Americas series against Argentina along with G. H. "Pete" Bostwick, George Oliver, Del Carroll, Lewis Smith and Juan Rodriguez.

Combs can be the second player indoors to reach 10-goal stardom. He may make it before the 1950-51 season runs out. Then again, the handicap committee might decide to judge him on the basis of an entire season of play. The Squadron A Association has announced that Combs will start playing at the Madison Avenue Armory right after the Christmas holidays.

William Mayer of North Shore, and Michael Healy of Oak Brook, had their handicap ratings raised from 4 to 5 goals. Mayer made one appearance at the Squadron A Armory last season, and, he was the most impressive player to ride before the Metropolitan fans among the newcomers.

Paul Heise and Dan Mahoney, University of Miami and Yale University poloists, respectively, who faced each other in the National Indoor Intercollegiate final last winter, were rewarded for their fine play during the 1949-50 season. Heise was raised from 2 to 3 goals and Mahoney is now handicapped at 2 goals.

The Johnson brothers—Collister, Bob and Ben—turned in their finest performance in recent years, December 2, at the Squadron A Armory in turning back Zenas Colt's high-powered Pittsfield Polo Club trio in the season match of a double-header. The match was decided in 21 seconds of a sudden death overtime period. The Johnson brothers triumphed by 9 to 8.

A "come to life" Manhatten trio headed by the hard riding Al Parsells 8 goal poloist, downed Long Island by 12 to 8 in the first game.

Both matches were highlighted by the finest defensive play this writer has seen in a long time. Play was close, the horsemanship was what it should be, and the hitting was as accurate as you'll see in a long time. The pace of both games was kept running by the calls of Tom Boylan, first game referee, and Lyman T. Whitehead, Jr.

Bob Johnson's shot on a pass from Collister spelled doom for Pittsfield which never got its attack going until the last period when it tied the score at 7 to 8 all. Ellistan held a 2 to 0 first period lead, was ahead by 5 to 2 at the half, and entered the final period with a 7 to 4 advantage.

Three consecutive goals by Herb Pennell, Pittsfield No. 1, evened the count at 7 all. The 5th of Bob Johnson's goals put Ellistan ahead by 8 to 7, and John Pflug's 3rd goal of the contest two minutes before the end tied the score for the second time to send the game into

the extra session.

The starting plays of Bob Johnson, Parsells and Bill Rand, at the No. 2 positions, was something to behold. Not only did they pace their respective team attacks but they excelled on defense. The play of Johnson was the tops of the evening for an individual.

Parsells accounted for 6 of his team scores, while teammates George Lacks and Fred Zeller chipped in with 3 each. Manhattan actually won the contest over Long Island by superior play in the final half in which it outscored the opposition 5 to 0. Rand scored 5 markers for Long Island and Charles Whitney, No. 1, and Henry Lewis III, back chipped in with 2 and 1 tallies, respectively.

The Pittsfield attack operated on sparkless cylinders in the opening three periods. Pittsfield, one of the strongest trios indoors, never ignited. Pennell was sluggish, Colt himself and his game was noticeably off par. Pflug played the back position well enough, but his long distance hitting was absent.

But all in all, you couldn't deny the spirited play of the Johnsons who never looked better.

Good-Rich-Notes—The Squadron A Association expects to have Del Carroll, George Oliver and Peter Perkins in its armory for the game after they return from Buenos Aires.

The first of the colleges to appear at Squadron A this season will be Princeton. A match is to be scheduled with one of the low-goal Squadron teams on December 13. Bill Nichols, 7-goal poloist, is lining up a formidable New York A. C. trio for Madison Avenue Armory play.

Squadron A fans wondering when the Ivory's—Jack senior and junior—will make an appearance. They liked the Ivory's last season.

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Boise Club Polo

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ship with an 8-7 score for the Blues. Teams in play were: Sheridan, Yakima, Toppenish, Boise and the Red and Blue Spokane teams. The courtesy and consideration of the Spokane Club was, as Red Guy put it, "Out of this world".

From the Spokane matches two members of the Boise Club, Red Guy and John Stringer, shipped their horses to Portland to try their hand at the indoor polo tournament held at the P. I. Horse and Livestock Show held October 6-14. From Boise came Don Jacobs with his string to make a third. The Boise team never lost a match and the last night played a picked team consisting of Carroll Lawrence of Toppenish, Harold McCullum and Kenny Hauser both of the Spokane Club. The score was 11-14. This final game was played after 12:30 at night, the rest of the events being concluded, and over half the crowd of 27,000 remained to see it through.

The five teams playing were: Yakima, Spokane, two Portland Clubs, and Boise. With games every afternoon and evening the players really learned to barnstorm. Three periods were played each evening and afternoon, a lot of fast polo was seen and the Portland crowds were

The Jockey Club

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ica are held. Obviously, state organizations must have only infrequent meetings but they usually have a full time secretary who keeps in touch with the members. The state organizations in some instances publish magazines, help procure breeding stock, encourage educational projects in relation to the horse, advise on pending legislation, etc.

The association of all these clubs with the National Association of Thoroughbred Breeders is a loose affiliation in no way interfering with the sovereignty of the individual clubs. Each club is a separate and distinct entity. The National Association merely is a clearing house for discussion of general policy and activity on the larger problems of interest to all. The Directorate is composed of representatives from each club who meet twice a year. Typical of the efforts of this body have been (1) to get more allowance and filly races with purses graded to the class of horses rather than high minimum purses for cheap claimers as well as allowance horses, (2) a statistical study to show the adverse effect of the high mutual "bite," (3) improvement of the public relations of racing, (4) establishment of agricultural scholarships and the closer alignment of breeders with farmers, (4) uniform tax laws and interpretations, (5) combating unwise legislation, and (7) in general to be, if necessary, the organized voice of all breeders, large and small, though we hope to avoid pressure group tactics as used by the HBPA with whom we have not always agreed. All clubs pay \$2.00 per year for each of their members to the national organization.

So far, only the general aims and organization have been discussed.

Lucky Johnson

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average income and they both had great fun and companionship out of it. One of his mounts, Red Wing, was badly kicked on the leg while in the van going to Spokane and had to be shot. Two other mounts were auctioned off at the end of the tournament. Mrs. Johnson kept the fourth, Lady Jane.

An outstanding football and baseball player in the Boise schools, Lucky was equally distinguished during World War II where he served in the Alaskan and European theatres of operation. He was separated from the service at the conclusion of the war with the rank of major.

He was born December 15, 1908 at Rocky Bar, Idaho and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Johnson, members of pioneer Idaho families. He was married to Mrs. Sylvia Gardner Batcheller in 1946.

wild about it.

All the players in the northwest section are planning an even bigger and better season for 1951. Spokane has already blueprinted a new turf field. Their present Skinner field will be used for practice.

The greatest value of these clubs is subtle and intangible in their own areas, for example, the Ohio Valley Club has many members of the Camargo Hunt including Masters O. de Gray Vanderbilt and Len Smith as members along with many interested only in flat racing or breeding and many who are merely interested without owning a horse. Many prominent citizens of Cincinnati are brought as guests and learn about the sport at its attractive level. Sports writers attend meetings and it is surprising how much more constructive their columns have become in respect to racing. They, having been conditioned largely by the poolroom aspects of the sport, have been shown that many high class people are also interested. In general, breeders are good citizens of their communities, and, aside from the correct conduct of racing, both the sport and the industry are dependent on the breeders and owners for good public relations, since all others by the nature of their jobs in racing are itinerant, much as are actors, and seldom take root in a community though they may be fine citizens otherwise. Both directly and indirectly, the clubs attract new and desirable owners and breeders because of the general knowledge spread through the community by the clubs' activities.

Even if no great purposes were achieved, those clubs can easily justify themselves by the pleasure they bring to their members. The meetings provide a place for them to get together and talk, the very life blood of any horseman. (Manure is the most important by-product of livestock raising of any kind.) Ben Jones put it well when, on his first appearance at the track after a throat operation, someone asked him if he were back on the job. "Only 50 percent," he said. "I can't talk and I figure talking is at least half of this game."

Seriously, each Thoroughbred Club is a great potential help to both hunting and racing. One respected man willing to take leadership is the only nucleus required to form an organization. Before Mr. Crispin Oglebay died, he had planned to encourage such a club in Cleveland. Anyone interested in forming a club can obtain information on the subject by writing Gus Owens, Secretary of the Thoroughbred Club of America, or Grant Dorland, Secretary of the National Association of Thoroughbred Breeders, both at Lexington, Ky.

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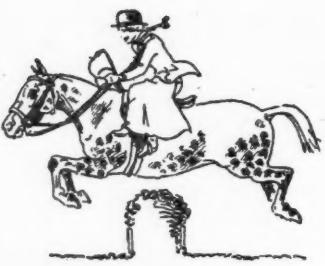
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Horse Shows

WEEKLY NEWS

FROM THE

Nancy G. Lee



Ashantee Riding Club Junior

The first of a series of winter shows, sponsored by the Ashantee Riding Club, was held in the indoor riding hall at Ashantee Farm, Avon, N. Y. on Nov. 26. It was a very cold, wintry day (complete with great gusts of wind) and the spectators looked very cozy behind the new glass-enclosed balcony, especially since it was heated.

Classes were very well filled and there was an exceptionally good group of children's horses. The club really thought of every little detail as there was plenty of hot coffee; well-laid jumping courses, and a grand atmosphere that radiated a big welcome.

These shows will be held at about 6-week intervals and since the riding hall is so large, there will be more and more classes for everyone.... Contributed by Michael Kelly, Chronicle Correspondent.

PLACE: Avon, New York.
TIME: November 26.

SUMMARIES

Seat and hands, 10 years and under—1. Sally Forman; 2. Tim Buckley; 3. Pat Joynt; 4. Sue Swanson; 5. Bill MacIntyre.

Seat and hands, 12 years and under—1. James Forman; 2. Sally Wadsworth; 3. Betsy Buckley; 4. Elaine Knight; 5. Sally Forman.

Horsemanship over jumps, 18 and under—1. Robert Ransler; 2. Barbara Linfoot; 3. James Forman; 4. Sally Wadsworth; 5. David Forman; 6. Elaine Knight.

Open horsemanship, 18 and under—1. Sheila Shanley; 2. James Forman; 3. Robert Hasler; 4. David Forman; 5. Sally Wadsworth; 6. Elaine Knight.

Children's hunters—1. Duresta, Josie Buckley; 2. On Patrol, James Forman; 3. Little Gum, Barbara Linfoot; 4. Fireball, Robert Hasler; 5. Miss Patsy, Sally Wadsworth; 6. Little Echo, David Forman.

Pleasure horses—1. On Patrol, James Forman.

man; 2. Sultan, George MacIntyre; 3. Entry, David Forman; 4. Lady, Mrs. R. Bailey; 5. Duresta, Josie Buckley; 6. Fireball, Robert Hasler.

Open jumpers, for children 18 years and under—1. Miss Patsy, Sally Wadsworth; 2. Fireball, Robert Hasler; 3. Little Echo, David Forman; 4. Entry, Glenn Ayers.

Boulder Brook Club

Boulder Brook Club's fall horse show usually encounters wintry weather but this year its dates of November 25-26 at Scarsdale, N. Y. really hit the jack-pot. Horses began arriving for the show on Friday along with the first traces of a storm. By Saturday morning, the rain was falling and the wind blowing at such a rate that the tents had come down around the horses. Fortunately, there is quite a bit of permanent stabling available, so all the horses not being used for the shows were moved out to neighboring stables.

During the second jumping class Saturday morning, the lights went out but the class continued in the somewhat dim light let in by the windows. The board of directors decided to postpone afternoon and evening sessions. Sunday dawned bright, if cold, and thus allowed the children's classes to be held outdoors. By doing this and doubling up two jumper classes, and omitting a recess, the show was finally finished ahead of time. Al Homewood, manager of Boulder Brook, deserves much of the credit for accomplishing the near miracle and still keep the exhibitors satisfied.

As has become the custom at this show, as well as at many other shows throughout the countryside, the stiffest competition was in the largest division, open jumpers. Several of the riders were discussing the matter on Saturday and trying to find a reason for the jumping always being so good at this show. It was just as tough to get a ribbon this year as in the past. One class had 15 horses clean the first time around.

Joe Green took over the reins of a new horse for a new owner and annexed the jumper tri-color with Harry D. Ryan's Rodger II. This horse was purchased prior to the show from his Canadian owner but his training for the open jumper ranks had been done in Mexico under the careful eye of Col. Humberto Mariles. Miss Nancy Clapp rode Hutchinson Farms' Peg's Pride to accumulate 18 points, just 1 point less than the champion.

Although the jumper division was the biggest and had the most competition, the most outstanding single performance was in the hunter division. Miss Nancy Clapp and Hutchinson Farms' Forward Passer set a record for Boulder Brook. This combination won the children's, working hunter and conformation hunter championships, as well as both hunter stakes.

In her first show this year, A. M.

Wilcox's Rose Parade went well for Miss Carol Gussenoven to be pinned reserve conformation hunter champion.

Miss Patricia Kelley, completely recovered from her broken collar bone suffered in a fall last summer, rode her own Lanikia to the reserve working hunter award.—Contributed by Tanbark, Chronicle Correspondent.

PLACE: Scarsdale, N. Y.

TIME: November 25-26.

JUDGES: Mrs. Charles Lee Harper, Rodger Binehart, Thomas E. Mason, Miss Anne Morningstar, hunters and jumpers; Mrs. Charles Lee Harper, George Swain, equitation.

HORSEMANSHIP CH.: (hunter seat): Ned Hancock.

Res.: Glenna Lee Maduro.

CHILDREN'S HORSES CH.: Forward Passer.

Res.: Bow Spin.

WORKING HUNTER CH.: Forward Passer, 18 pts.

Res.: Lanikia, 8 pts.

HUNTER CH.: Forward Passer, 15½ pts.

Res.: Rose Parade, 9 pts.

JUMPER CH.: Rodger II, 19 pts.

Res.: Peg's Pride, 18 pts.

SUMMARIES

November 25

Model hunters—1. Strideaway, Mrs. Charles Govern; 2. Pocket Mouse, Mrs. Charles Govern; 3. "Legislator" II, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Appleton; 4. Fairview, Fairview Farms.

Jumpers—1. Peg's Pride, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Little David, Samuel Magid; 3. Prince River, Fred Blum; 4. Rodger II, Harry D. Ryan.

Novice horsemanship, hunter seat, under 18—1. Kitty Corr; 2. Sidney Baumann; 3. Susan Findlay; 4. Janet Quigley; 5. Ann Whiting; 6. Eloise Ring.

Limit working hunters—1. Golden Boy, Robert Birch; 2. Vermillion, George M. K. Hudson; 3. Transportation, Mrs. Elizabeth Correll; 4. Royal Guard, Mrs. Elizabeth Correll.

Limit horsemanship, hunter seat, under 18—1. Suzy Ray; 2. Kitty Corr; 3. Oscar Pearl; 4. Eloise Ring; 5. Sidney Baumann; 6. Virginia Leland.

Open hunters—1. Rose Parade, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wilcox; 2. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 3. Monmouth Boy, Bette Nashem; 4. Winterton, Wee-3 Stables.

Jumpers—1. Up and Going, Harry D. Ryan; 2. Peg's Pride, Hutchinson Farms; 3. Ginn Fizz, Don Dallas; 4. Trader Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nardin.

Jumpers—1. Peg's Pride, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Rodger II, Harry D. Ryan; 3. Country Tourist, Dr. Robert C. Rost; 4. Peg MacNeill, Rice Farms.

A.S.P.C.A. horsemanship event—1. Ronnie Mutch; 2. Ned Hancock; 3. Glenna Lee Maduro; 4. George Morris; 5. Eloise Ring; 6. Susan Findlay.

Children's working hunters—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Carbon Copy, Suzy Ray; 3. Savage Lover, Ned Hancock; 4. Beau Sabreur, Mrs. Ransom W. Edwards.

Jumpers—1. Circus Prince, Harry D. Ryan; 2. Up and Going, Harry D. Ryan; 3. Vermillion, George M. K. Hudson; 4. Peg's Pride, Hutchinson Farms.

Hon. A. Harry Moore challenge trophy, children's hunters—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Savage Lover, Ned Hancock; 3. Blue Jean, Susan Findlay; 4. Just Me, Carol Werner.

Boulder Brook Club challenge trophy, ladies' hunters—1. Pocket Mouse, Mrs. Charles Govern; 2. Rose Parade, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wilcox; 3. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 4. Monmouth Boy, Bette Nashem.

Hunter hacks—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Strideaway, Mrs. Charles Govern; 3. Winterton, Wee-3 Stables; 4. Small Coin, Jean Cochran.

Working hunters, open—1. Lanikia, Patricia Kelly; 2. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 3. Buttermilk, Mrs. Joseph L. Merrill; 4. Miss Diana, Mrs. John J. Farrell.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Trader Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nardin; 2. Vermillion, George M. K. Hudson; 3. Rodger II, Harry D. Ryan.

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Open jumper, F. E. I.—1. Cadet Hagenmyer;

2. Cadet Axolia; 3. Cadet Schram; 4. Cadet Brodnax.

Young hunters—1. Small Coin, Jean Cochran; 2. Spanish Gold, Mrs. James Parker; 3. Winterton, Wee-3 Stables; 4. Fairview, Fairview Farms.

Children's jumpers—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Just Me, Carol Werner; 3. Silver Dawn, Wilma J. Eddie; 4. Savage Lover, Ned Hancock.

Ladies' working hunters—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Hydro Fashion, Bette Nashem; 3. Lanikia, Patricia Kelly; 4. Black Arrow, George M. Burns.

A. G. Homewood challenge trophy, open horsemanship, hunter seat—1. Ned Hancock; 2. Glenna Lee Maduro; 3. Ronnie Mutch; 4. Victor Hugo-Vidal, Jr.; 5. Suzy Ray; 6. Joan Parker.

Jumpers—1. Rodger II, Harry D. Ryan; 2. Cappamore, M. J. Ryan; 3. Sheik of Albrarae, Albrarae Farm; 4. Peg's Pride, Hutchinson Farms.

Hunter Lodge challenge trophy, working hunters, to ride—1. Forward Passer, Hutchinson Farms; 2. Hydro Fashion, Bette Nashem; 3. Royal Guard, Mrs. Elizabeth Correll; 4. Golden Boy, Robert Birch.

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Knock-down-and-out—1. Sheik of Albrarae, Albrarae Farm; 2. Rodger II, Harry D. Ryan; 3. Cinders, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carroll; 4. Vermillion, George M. K. Hudson.

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3 classes and then Col. Kimball took over the reins, riding astride, in the open jumper class.—Contributed by Frances C. Brown, Chronicle Correspondent.

PLACE: Grand Hotel Stables, Point Clear, Ala.
DATE: October 28.
JUDGE: William Elas, M. F. H.

SUMMARIES

Novice Jumpers—1. D-Day, Col. and Mrs. William Kimball; 2. Topper, William Dexter; 3. Midnight, Col. Howard Morris, Jr.; 4. Pine Topper, William H. Cester.
Road hacks—1. D-Day, Col. and Mrs. William Kimball; 2. Brevity, Col. and Mrs. Howard J. Morris, Jr.; 3. Marlette, Mrs. William Dexter; 4. Good Enough, Richard Massey, Jr.
Open working hunters—1. D-Day, Col. and Mrs. William Kimball; 2. Girle, Charles Dobbins; 3. Brevity, Mrs. Howard J. Morris, Jr.; 4. Riptide, Shearen Elebush.
Open to Juniors—1. D-Day, Col. and Mrs. William Kimball; 2. Brevity, Mrs. Howard J. Morris, Jr.; 3. Girle, Charles Dobbins; 4. Riptide, Shearen Elebush.

Moorestown

The 6th annual Moorestown (N.J.) Horse Show was held at The Paddock on Sept. 9.

An interesting class was the younger class for colts or fillies under 2 years of age. There were 4 divisions which included Thoroughbreds and other than registered Thoroughbreds, Saddle and Walking Horses. Winner of the Thoroughbred division was Lucky Leaf Stables' Ed Sullivan while Highfields Farm's Spanish Playmate annexed the blue in the other than Thoroughbred.

PLACE: Moorestown, N. J.
TIME: September 9.
JUDGE: Richard E. McDevitt.

SUMMARIES

Children's horsemanship—1. Patricia Hennessey; 2. Sharon Lee Kruse; 3. Lynn Hardy; 4. Georgianna Jones; 5. Douglas Worrall; 6. David Heward.

Local handy hunter class—1. Boston Baker, Elma Jane Fronie; 2. Reno Blaze, E. Emberger; 3. Playgirl, Jeanette Heckman; 4. Tres Bien, Gail Lebengood.

Horsemanship and hack class for children—1. Shirley, Lynn Hardy; 2. Ben, Georgianna Jones; 3. Sweetheart, Laddie Duffy; 4. Tip Toe, Nancy Neuber; 5. Chunk-e-nut, Susan E. Deasy; 6. Leatherwood Lad, Lawrence Kanaga.

Youngster class, Thoroughbreds—1. Ed Sullivan, Lucky Leaf Stable; 2. Unnamed colt, M. McCullum Farms; 3. Sullivan's Betty, Lucky Leaf Stable.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Liberty Belle, Nat Krupnick; 2. Teddy, William Loeffler; 3. Liberty Boy, Emery Horn; 4. Red Rebel, E. Emberger.

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Lead line class—1. Tommy Hardy; 2. Dorie Neuber; 3. Lorrie Powers; 4. Daniel Jones; 5. William Harris, III; 6. Meg Duffy.

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Open jumping class—1. Teddy, William Losfeld; 2. Liberty Belle, Nat Krupnick; 3. Red Rebel, E. Emberger; 4. Preakness, Nat Krupnick.

Bareback class, horsemanship—1. Charming Prince, Carol Jean Kruse; 2. Gallant Chance, Sally Stevenson; 3. Deanna Durbin, Patricia Hennessey; 4. Zip-a-Long, Douglas Heckman; 5. Fleck Hawk, Sydne Stoner; 6. Tres Bien, Gail Lebengood.

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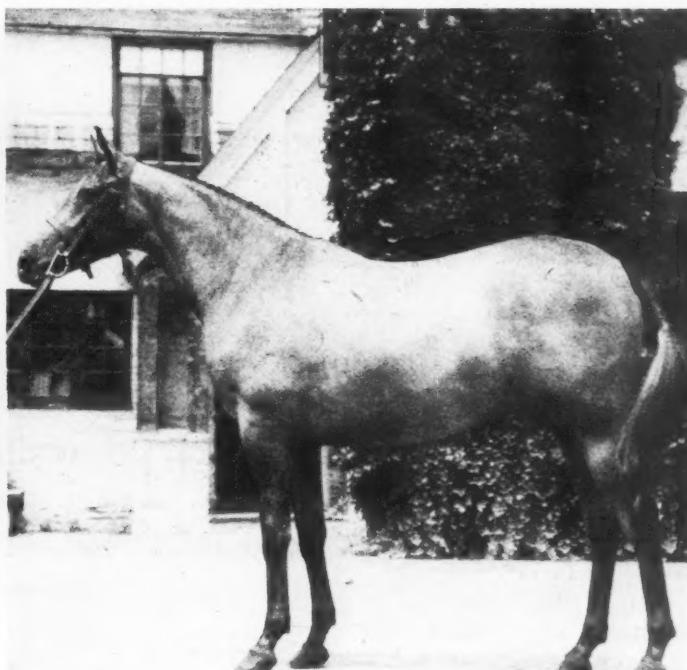
GREEN HUNTER CHAMPION, Waverly Farm's Silverken. (Darling Photo)



OPEN JUMPER CHAMPION, Hi-Rock Farm's Circus Rose. (Hawkins Photo)



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EQUITATION CHAMPION, Miss Nancy Lee Huffman. (Hawkins Photo)



JUNIOR HUNTER CHAMPION, Miss Nancy Lee Huffman's Lady Marshall. (Hawkins Photo)

Horse Shows

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Toronto horse win with Doug Hood, feelings were divided for the Chileans had only received one 4th during the show. They were such good sportsmen and the return to Chile with this prized trophy would mean so much. On the final round, however, the Chilean horse received so many more faults than Harmony and the ribbon points this gave Harmony made him the champion jumper at the Royal with 21 points.

A jump off was necessary to decide the reserve between Dr. J. N. Strates' Planet and Morton W. Smith's Flamingo, each having 19 points. Jim Pogue rode the Toronto veterinarian's bay Thoroughbred to win the jump off and the reserve award.

The Royal does not offer much in the way of children's classes. There were no equitation classes but a good number of events for Saddle ponies and Shetlands. The junior jumping stake turned into an exhibition of the marvels of Mexican training. Eight-year-old Miss Vicki Mariles, daughter of Col. Humberto Mariles, the non-riding captain of the Mexican team, amazed one and all when she won the stakes after 2 jump offs. Miss Janet Rough, riding Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomas' Palomino mare, Princess Midas was 2nd. The tiny Mexican girl rode her wonderfully trained Pabiana, exhibiting a firm seat and extra-ordinary coolness for such a tot.

We should not leave the Royal without reference to the hunt teams. Eleven teams vied for the Sir Clifford Sifton memorial challenge trophy. This went to Liangollen Farm, representing the Piedmont Hunt with Safety Call, Adventure and Mrs. Dean Rucker's Cliftons Champ.... Contributed by Broadview, Chronicle Correspondent.

PLACE: Toronto, Canada.

TIME: November 14-22.

JUDGES: The Lord Digby, D.S.O., M.C., and Charles J. Barrie, hunters; Maj. Gen. Guy V. Henry, Donald S. Umphrey, John C. Cakeweed and John W. Murdock, International Team and open jumping.

CONFORMATION HUNTER CH.: Daleraker, 28½ pts.

Res.: Safety Call, 11 pts.

WORKING HUNTER CH.: Sombrero, 21½ pts.

Res.: Goldwick, 20 pts.

JUMPER CH.: Harmony, 21 pts.

Res.: Planet, 19 pts.

SUMMARIES

November 13

Horse, suitable to become a lightweight—1. Brentwood, Thomas H. Smith; 2. Khoramont, Longmeadow Farm; 3. Pin Kit, Gordon L. Ratze; 4. Monosan, Silo Stable; 5. Berrywood, Lorna J. Knight.

Horse suitable to become middle or heavyweight—1. Royal Chief, Morton W. Smith; 2. Merry Lad, Merrymount Farms; 3. Topaz, Merrymount Farms; 4. Lady Echo, S. L. Stanley; 5. Pepper Boy, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McLean.

Jumpers open performance—1. Nizefella, W. H. White, British Equestrian Team; 2. Eager Beaver, Arthur McCashin, U. S. Equestrian Team; 3. The Master, Norman Brinker, International Equestrian Competition Corp.; 4. Paleface, Arthur McCashin, U. S. Equestrian Team; Foxhunter, Lt. Col. H. M. Llewellyn, British Equestrian Team.

Novice lightweight hunter—1. Singing High, J. Elliot Cottrell; 2. Crystallite, Carl Pielsticker; 3. Loyal Hannah 2nd, Tanglewood Stables; 4. Golden Ways, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomas; 5. Khoramont, Longmeadow Farm. Novice middle and heavyweight hunter—1. Royal Chief, Morton W. Smith; 2. Barlith, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Flying Fritz, Finishline Stables; 4. Miranda of Glenspey, Glenspey Farms.

Jumpers open performance, non-winners—1.

Dark Velvet, Green Gables Farm; 2. Mountain Lad, James P. Sterne; 3. High Frequency, James P. Sterne; 4. Blue Bonnet, C. L. Robbins; 5. Monosan, Silo Stable.

November 14

Jumpers open performance for horses, non-winners—1. Glen Valley, Jack W. Abel; 2. Shalamar, Allan R. Clarkson; 3. Mountain Lad, James P. Sterne; 4. High Frequency, James P. Sterne; 5. Royal Velvet, Hal C. Brown.

Junior jumping stake—1. Pabiana, Vicki Mariles; 2. Princess Midas, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomas; 3. By Goom, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McLean; 4. Berrywood, Lorna J. Knight; 5. Glen Valley, Jack W. Abel.

George W. Beardmore memorial challenge trophy, working hunter, amateur rider—1. Floating Power, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. O'Connell; 2. Parral, G. M. Brickenden; 3. Goldwick, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 4. Kingston, R. H. Rough; 5. Rocket, Major G. T. Gayford.

International two and two—1. British Equestrian Team: Monty, Foxhunter, Lt. Col. H. M. Llewellyn; Nightbird, Nizefella, W. H. White; 2. U. S. Equestrian Team: Georgetown, Reno Kirk, Mrs. Carol Durand; Miss Budweiser, Canadian Boy, Norma Mathews; 3. Canadian Equestrian Team: British Columbia, Prince Edward Island, Lt. Col. Charles Baker, Jr.; Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Tom Gayford; 4. Mexican Army Team: Chilean Equestrian Team.

\$1,500 "Burton" Canadian-bred hunter stake—1. State Fair, J. Elliot Cottrell; 2. Royal Chief, Morton W. Smith; 3. Briar Hill, Lorna J. Knight; 4. Highland Lad, C. L. Robins; 5. Heather, J. Elliot Cottrell; 6. Indigretion, Harold S. Shannon; 7. Arkona, Silo Stable; 8. Pepper Boy, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McLean; 9. Pall Mall, Mr. and Mrs. C. Loveless; 10. Play Boy, J. Elliot Cottrell.

November 15

James Widgery memorial trophy, Canadian-bred hunters—1. State Fair, J. Elliot Cottrell; 2. Gayboy, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Heather, J. Elliot Cottrell; 4. Monosan, Silo Stable.

International "handy" course—1. Mexican Army Team: Jalisco, 2nd Lt. Joaquin D'Harcourt; 2. Mexican Army Team: Arete, 2nd Lt. Eva Valdes; 3. British Equestrian Team: Nizefella, W. H. White; 4. U. S. Equestrian Team: Paleface, Arthur McCashin; Reno Kirk, Mrs. Carol Durand; Chilean Equestrian Team: Tranquillo, Javier A. Echevarria.

International challenge cup, hunter any weight—1. Daleraker, Carl Pielsticker; 2. Reno Salty, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Pall Mall, Mr. and Mrs. C. Loveless; 4. Gayboy, J. Elliot Cottrell; 5. Safety Call, Liangollen Farm.

November 16

Lightweight working hunter—1. Goldwick, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 2. Rocket, Major G. T. Gayford.

Middle and heavyweight working hunter—1. Sombrero, Mrs. Don J. Ferraro; 2. Topmount, Major Michael Gutowski; 3. Dinah, Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobsen; 4. Floating Power, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. O'Connell; 5. Kingston, R. H. Rough.

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Open lightweight hunter—1. Harkaway, Carl Pielsticker; 2. Golden Ways, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomas; 3. Heather, J. Elliot Cottrell; 4. Gayboy, J. Elliot Cottrell; 5. Sonya II, Tanglewood Stables.

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November 17

Children's jumpers—1. Nickel Beer, Mrs. Lucy C. Mart; 2. Bunty Lass, Sifton Stables; 3. Corvette, Shirley Mason; 4. Transit, Betty Anne Rough.

Broad jump stake—1. Royal Velvet, Hal C. Brown; 2. Flamingo, Morton W. Smith; 3. Planet, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Stratus; 4. Little John, Timber Top Farms; 5. Limerick, E. H. Cudney; 6. La Ferte, C. L. Robins.

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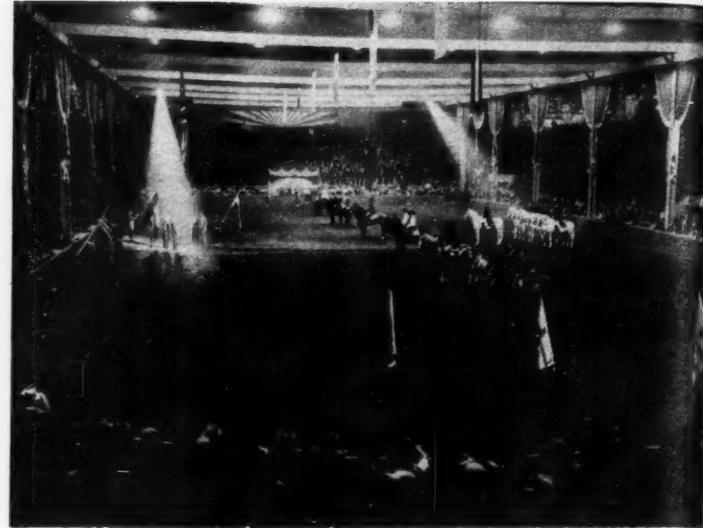
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Tryon Hounds Designed Course To Try "The Favorite Hunter"

John S. Donald

"My Favorite Hunter" was an opportunity for the hunting people of Tryon, N. C. to demonstrate the ability of his favorite over a course designed to be as much like the country one might find with The Tryon Hounds. The course of a little less than a mile was in the valley of Mulberry Farm, the estate of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Brannon, running along the creek which had to be crossed twice, once by jumping a three-panel rail fence and upon landing turning abruptly left over the creek, then turning left for a stride for another panel. This creek crossing demonstrated control and only one exhibitor got a dicking. The rest of the course consisted of six additional fences over varying terrain which gave the judges, Mrs. C. B. duCharme and Mrs. George S. Brannon, a comparison of the horses at a trot, a collected canter and a good hunting pace.

The day (Nov. 24) started with a picnic lunch prepared on the outdoor grill of Mulberry Farm, after which the spectators crossed the stream and walked up the hillside where the entire course could be seen.

After the "Favorite Hunter" event came hunt teams with four teams competing which was very colorful with the green livery of The Tryon Hounds in contrast against the fall coloring of the trees. The weather was rapidly getting worse as the storm following Thanksgiving Day was closing in and the appointments used in the hunt teams were pressed into much needed service.

George Brannon and John Donald put on the event "My Favorite Hunter" and they were assisted by Mrs. E. H. Bennett of Tryon and Lake Forest, who presented the ribbons. Bill Munk, of Indianapolis and Tryon, was of great value in getting the hunters started on the course which was done with very little confusion. Our two "official" photographers, George Wick and Jim Kimberly, braved the storm to the frozen end.

SUMMARIES

"My Favorite Hunter"—1. Four Cosmo, Mrs.

Magnet Takes Deep Run Junior Fall Hunter Trials For Miss Felvey

Jimmie Hatcher

Miss Myrna Felvey, making her first appearance in Virginia after spending a month in Indiantown Gap, Penn., rode her versatile, brown gelding Magnet to championship at the Deep Run Junior Fall Hunter Trials on November 19. The trials were held at the Deep Run Hunt Club, Goochland County, Va.

Reserve honors went to Richard Reynolds' Gray Devil, piloted by Jimmie Hatcher.

The spectators, somewhat chilled by the weather, warmed up when Miss Beverley Harrison and Andy Shield, the youngest riders on the grounds, turned in exacting rounds to win and place in the keenly contested children's hunter class.

After Judges Paul Bloch and Robert Motch had pinned the champions, the juniors retired to the new, cozy clubhouse for a welcomed cup of hot chocolate.

SUMMARIES

Lightweight hunters—1. Magnet, Myrna Felvey; 2. Bonte, Horace Gray, III; 3. Gray Devil, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reynolds, Jr.; 4. Sonroja, Kenny Darling.

Children's hunters—1. Bigger Bit, Beverley Harrison; 2. Derby, Andy Shield; 3. Painted Lady, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Bruce; 4. Silent Saint, Betty Cook.

Middle and heavyweight hunters—1. Silent Saint, Betty Cook; 2. Tuffy, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Bruce; 3. Belmead Majority, Major T. Stacy Capers; 4. Leo, Dr. P. D. Camp.

Corinthian—1. Gray Devil, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reynolds; 2. Magnet, Myrna Felvey; 3. Curious One, Arthur Franklin; 4. Leo, Dr. P. D. Camp.

Hunt team—1. Magnet, Myrna Felvey; Sun-roja, Kenny Darling; Curious One, Arthur Franklin; 2. Tuffy, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Bruce; Sunac, Spinning Time, (owners not listed); 3. Gray Devil, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reynolds, Jr.; 4. Gay Boy, Queenie, Tally Ho, (owners not listed).

Judges: Paul Bloch and Robert Motch.

William E. Munk; 2. Blazing Gold, Mrs. H. J. Rindall; 3. Dusty Brown, George Webster; 4. El Major, Arthur Reynolds.

Hunt teams—1. Gold Dust, Patty Page; Hot Brick, Cary L. Page; Black Patch, Alfred M. Page; 2. Dusty Brown, Mrs. H. J. Rindall; Blazing Gold, Mrs. Richard Stafford; Carmen, George Webster; 3. J. E. B. Stuart, Willis E. Kuhn; Gallant Fight, Austin Brown; Four Cosmo, Mrs. William E. Munk.

Horse Shows

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November 21
Open middle and heavyweight hunter — 1. Daleraker, Carl Pielsticker; 2. Reno Salty, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Winston, Twin City Buick Stables.

Corinthian working hunters — 1. Goldwick, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 2. Sombrero, Mrs. Don J. Ferraro; 3. Rocket, Maj. G. T. Gayford.

\$1,500 "Taylor" working hunter stake—1. Sombrero, Mrs. Don J. Ferraro; 2. By Goon, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McLean; 3. Flamingo, Morton W. Smith; 4. Goldwick, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 5. Dinah, Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobsen; 6. Transit, R. H. Rough; 7. Warbond, E. H. Cudney; 8. Floating Power, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. O'Connell; 9. Clootie, Sifton Stables; 10. La Ferte, C. L. Robins.

International broad jump—1. British Equestrian Team: Foxhunter, Lt. Col. H. M. Lewellyn; 2. U. S. Equestrian Team: George Town, Mrs. Carol Durand; British Equestrian Team: Nizefella, W. H. White; Irish Army Team: Killala, Capt. Michael J. Tubridy; 3. Mexican Army Team: Jalisco, 2nd Lt. Joaquin D'Harcourt.

Jumping sweepstakes—1. Red Fencer, Mr. and Mrs. C. Loveless; 2. Flamingo, Morton W. Smith; 3. Planet, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Stratton; 4. La Ferte, C. L. Robins; 5. Wings of the Morning, Valley View Farms; 6. Copper King, Mrs. C. T. McMullen.

Model hunter—1. Daleraker, Carl Pielsticker; 2. Reno Salty, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Royal Chief, Morton W. Smith; 4. Cliftons Champ, Mrs. Dean Rucker; 5. Safety Call, Llangollen Farm.

Lady's hunter—1. Heather, J. Elliot Cottrell; 2. Safety Call, Llangollen Farm; 3. Tug O'War, Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobsen; 4. Cliftons Champ, Mrs. Dean Rucker; 5. Peggy's Last, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. O'Connell.

Thoroughbred hunter — 1. Daleraker, Carl Pielsticker; 2. Reno Salty, J. Elliot Cottrell; 3. Flint, Twin City Buick Stables; 4. Glamour Man, Valley View Farms.

President of the United States of Mexico trophy — 1. Harmony, Merrymount Farm; 2. Lantano, Javier A. Echevarria, Chilean Equestrian Team; 3. Big Bounce, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomas; 4. The Master, Norman Brinker, International Equestrian Competition Corp.; 5. Parral, G. M. Bickenden; 6. Hollandia, Hugh Wiley, International Equestrian Competition Corp.; 7. 10 horses tied.

International team challenge trophy—1. U. S. Equestrian Team: Paleface, Arthur McCashin; Reno Kirk, Mrs. Carol Durand; County Boy, Norma Matthews; 2. British Equestrian Team: Craven A. Peter Robson; Nizefella, W. H. White; Foxhunter, Lt. Col. H. M. Lewellyn; Mexican Army Team: Arete, 2nd Lt. Eva Valdes; Alteno, Cadet Roberto Vinala; Jalisco, 2nd Lt. Joaquin D'Harcourt; 3. Irish Army Team: Clontibret, Capt. Lewis M. Magee; Killala, Capt. Michael J. Tubridy; Glengariff, Capt. William B. Mullins.

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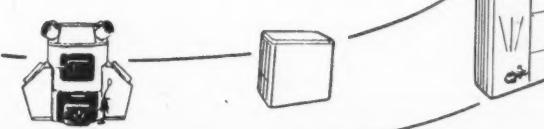
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Rise and Decline of British Foxhunting



"One Fox On Foot Will More Diversion Bring Than Twice Ten Thousand Pheasants On the Wing"; Meltonian Era Springboard of 'Chasing

Ralph Greaves

"Punch", a disgruntled correspondent once complained, "is not so good as it used to be". To which its famous editor, Owen Seaman, replied that "it never had been". There have always been people ready to glorify the past at the expense of the present; but in reviewing the history of British foxhunting it has to be admitted that it is not by any means "what it used to be"; nor can the sport now shown be in any way compared to the days when the English countryside and conditions generally were very different to what they are now.

England can, I think be regarded as the original home of foxhunting, with America a close second. This claim can hardly be disputed, even by Moscow. American foxhunting, as we now know it, may be said to have begun in 1745 with the arrival of Lord Thomas Fairfax's hounds in Virginia. In the case of English fox-

hunting, however, it is not so easy to give a definite date, since it arose by a process of evolution. We can but skim here through the earlier pages of the story; suffice it to say that with the disafforestation and gradual enclosure of the country that began in the time of the Stuarts, stag-hunting declined, and the red deer became scarce. Hare hunting was then the sport of the squires and gentry, and it was not till early in the 18th century that the fox began to be regarded as the premier beast of chase.

From that time onward foxhunting steadily increased in popularity and in the quality of the sport shown, till it reached its Golden Age. From that peak it has since declined, and the quality or character of the sport has progressively deteriorated, owing to the changed conditions under which it has had to be conducted. The ideal conditions,

which obtained in the Golden Age referred to, consisting briefly of: an open, sparsely populated countryside, carrying a good scent, with fox coverts of the right size, conveniently placed, and one where each follower could take his own line across country, the fences being practicable everywhere, without the hindrance of wire. All that the huntsman required of his hounds was that they should be able to go top pace and carry a head.

The development of foxhunting, till it finally reached its highest form, was gradual at first. Many of our oldest hunts of the present day began their existence as harriers, some of them hunting both fox and hare. Others, the ancestral packs particularly, from whom the taproots of the English foxhound are derived, were entered to fox from the outset. The key-date in our history is 1753.

HUGO MEYNELL

Up to that date foxhunting had been a very different sort of business to what it subsequently became, under the influence of the great Hugo Meynell and a few of his contemporaries. The whole interest of the earlier foxhunters had centered round the individual performances and working qualities of the hounds themselves—riding after them being a rather slow and quite secondary affair. Going out as soon as it was light, hounds would work up to their fox on his early morning drag, while he was still full-gorged, and plod along on his line, over a practically unenclosed, wild country for the rest of the day. The old English Southern hound (of harrier blood), was a tremendous line-hunter, low scenting, and of deep sonorous tongue, but deficient in pace. Amazingly long hunts were recorded, points of 30 or even 40 miles being made, if some of the old accounts are to be believed, but hounds rarely hustled their fox, who was often "accounted for by being lost". These ponderous performances would be witnessed with delight by equally ponderous sportsmen, who quite rightly held the opinion that the chief pleasure of foxhunting lay in the work of the hounds.

With the advent of Meynell in Leicestershire in 1753 a complete change came over the scene. His idea was to go out at a much later hour of the day, and find his fox in covert after he had slept off his midnight meal and was fit to run for his life. Taken by surprise, he was forced to go away with hounds close to his brush; it was Meynell who put pace and dash into foxhunting, thereby making it the most popular and fashionable of all sports. The "Meynellian system" has formed the basis of the science of foxhunting ever since.

The "grass countries" of Leicestershire and Northamptonshire, and the Quorn country in particular, were ideally suited to the new methods; the large enclosures, all old pasture; the rich soil, mostly undrained that always seemed to carry a scent; the bullock fences, formidable enough, but always practicable; and particularly the gorse coverts, especially planted at the most advantageous points for the purpose of breeding and holding foxes—all these advantages tended to fulfill those ideal conditions to which we have already referred.

Pace was now the order of the day; hounds were required to race

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A Field of 9 met at Ralph Fleming's stable on Bopp Road at 2 p. m. on Thursday, November 16. Dr. Aitken asked Mr. Andrew Shinkle to act as Master and he and Mrs. W. B. MacMinn acted as whips. Mr. Rohde cast the hounds north of the Fleming's and on through to Ballas Road and west into Dan Muller's Farm. This is very nice country with a rather large wood in the center, surrounded by wheat fields to the east and good open pasture land on the other three sides. As the huntsman was making his first cast in the woods, the field had checked in a clearing on the north side and an enormous red fox broke cover within 20 feet of the Master's horse.

He turned and went back into the woods and hounds were immediately on-through the dense woods and west—then back to the rock quarry and east to the hillside south of Mullers'. When the Field arrived here, Dr. Aitken who had been at this place for some time advised us that he had viewed simultaneously, not only the large red fox, but another and the pack had split. Off again, north through the woods, back to Ballas Road, south on Ballas and then west to the hillside again into the woods and on west to Topping Road—west again from here for a good 2 miles, where he circled taking us back to Topping Road and there west again almost to Mason Road, where when hounds lost, probably only momentarily, they had to be called off as darkness was beginning.... A very good day. —A.S.

at top pace, and were bred for that purpose. Foxhunting was taken up with enthusiasm by the young bloods of the period, who came out solely to ride, usually with complete disregard for hounds. Hard riding became the hall-mark of the sportsman, and the chief difficulty confronting the Master was curbing the impetuosity of his jealous, thrusting field, and gaining room for his hounds to hunt.

THE MELTONIAN ERA

Meynell gave up the Mastership of the Quorn in 1800, and the next fifty years that followed were probably the brightest in the whole history of foxhunting. Leicestershire, as yet completely unspoiled and seemingly "made for foxhunting", became the sportsman's Mecca. Money was plentiful, and lavishly spent. The town of Melton Mowbray, then on the borders of the Quorn and Pritchley, became the rendezvous of rank and fashion, where every "sprig of nobility" kept his stud of twenty or more blood hounds, and whose chief ambition was to be considered a "slap-up Meltonian" and a member of the Old Club. The type has been immortalized in the pages of *Nimrod* and the drawings of Henry Alken. Melton, in fact, set the fashion to the hunting world, even to the cut of a coat, the depth of a collar, the tightness of the breeches or the shape of a hat, every innovation being eagerly copied by the provincial.

The place, also, became the scene of reckless extravagance and riotous living, the young Meltonians, not content with hunting six days a week, worked off their surplus energy by wild horse-play at night. But whatever else may be laid to their door, they were brave men across country. They rode absolutely regardless of their own necks or of the safety of the man in front of them; hounds, on whom they pressed on every possible occasion, had to take their chance; and riding home from hunting they would get up cross-country matches against each other, these affairs being the origin of the steeplechase.

To Be Continued



Speaking of Dogs...

By ELIAS VAIL

**Putting breeding in two schools—
and taking home one lesson . . . microscope vs. crystal ball . . .
how each can help . . . trying it out on the dog.**

Leafing through the magazines and chinning with breeders, it sometimes seems there must be at least a hundred different systems and mottoes for breeding better dogs. But if you wanted to boil them all down, I think you might say there are just two basic ways to go about deciding "which-bitch-to-what-dog."

On one hand you have what I'd call the "deep-thinking" approach, where you try to figure out in detail the inheritance from each side—balancing up the faults and virtues of the parents, studying the individual and family producing records, and so forth.

At the other extreme is what you could call the "deep-feeling" approach, where you ignore the fine points and use your "breeder's intuition"—mating a pair you just plain admire for their looks, personality, and performance.

Either method can improve a breed. If you had to choose, I suspect the analytical approach could do the most for conformation, while the intuitive seems safer in breeding for temperament and working ability.

But if you, like most of us, want to breed dogs that are better in every sense, then it stands to reason you'll want to use something of both approaches.

But breeders aren't the only dog experts who can make doubly sure by using two spoons to stir one cake, so to speak.

If you were to study every hair of the dogs and every dog to the twentieth generation, seems to me you still wouldn't have planned a breeding with as much scientific care and knowledge as have gone—and still go—into the Gaines Meal formula. And on top of this general study there's a full-sized laboratory testing the food at each step in its making.

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Editor's Note: Another version of this same fine day with The Cheshire which was published last week has come from our good scribe, Martin Gale and as two accounts are better than one, and both most welcome on such a good day, our readers will have a full picture of a memorable Thanksgiving for the followers of The Cheshire.

The Cheshire Foxhounds' cocktail hour before their Thanksgiving dinner included a fine dog fox which they rolled over and ate in the Fulton farm after a short burst from Stony Battery. However, previous to that they had a fast, very fast and straight 55 minutes to wet their appetites and set the thoughts of their struggling pursuers on their own Thanksgiving dinners, let's hope of the most lavish sort. Two young married Dianas were overheard discussing their dinner menus, when the blond Diana remarked, "I'm having raw oysters, soup, terrapin, venison, turkey, baked Alaska, and champagne." Just then a hound spoke and the poor mouth-watering scribe heard no more; but one must admit this fair creature's acquaintance appeared at the moment well worth cultivating.

So much for food and drink. After meeting at Major Waddington's at 11:00, hounds were disappointed in Coxe's and the Kennell Wood, but an outlying fox was hollered away by someone sitting on a fence between the Kennell Wood and the Plantation. Oscar Crosson had the 20 and a half couples of bitches on the spot in an instant; but scent seemed spotty at first; then settling to the line, ran into the valley, but just before reaching the Green Valley Road swung left-handed, and crossing the Unionville-Coatesville cement road and, keeping Brooklawn well to their left, dwelt a moment in the Annie Mullin wood, then racing over Woodsdale and, keeping the Quarry wood on their right, ran on at top pace to Fulton's Wood, crossed the Fulton meadows to the Sheep Hill and straightened away over the beautiful Doe Run Valley, with Mrs. Weir's on their left. Crossing the road by the iron bridge, they went left to the Riding School entered Turner's Hill, sank the vale and fairly flying over the Buck and Doe Run grazing fields to the Snader farm, crossing the back road into Runnymede to mark this gallant fox to ground in the artificial earth by the edge of the wood.

A 7 mile point and, about 9 miles as hounds ran, in 55 minutes. These Cheshire bitches may have a longer hunt as time goes this season, but

The Thanksgiving Day Hunt, always a high spot in the fall hunting season for its subscribers, began promptly at 11 A. M. on the 23rd of November.

A brief snow flurry at the start, soon dispelled by bright sunshine, made it a perfect day of drag hunting for the 40 or more riders who assembled at Lakeville Manor Inn, Lake Success.

The Masters, Patrick Knickerbocker and Miss Ann Otterson, with Dr. Daniel Towhig, whipper-in and Tex Aldrich, Huntsman, brought the 16 couple of hounds to the courtyard of the Inn. Pierre Dauvergne, as Fieldmaster and Glen Bennett acting as Fieldmaster for the Juniors, assembled their respective groups behind hounds and we were off.

A brief jog through the woods and then hounds found at the top of the ridge above the kennels. The Field was away at a gallop through the Deer Run and across the fields to a check at Grace's east field before crossing Power House Road.

Across the road, and a jog along New Hyde Park Road, through a patch of woodland to Minturn's old Jimerack's voice could be heard, followed by the music of his fellows and we were off again at a wide open gallop across the fields to check at Court House Road.

There was more stiff going through the woods, with plenty of sharp turns and fallen logs to the cleared fields of Frederick Lunning and a comfortable job along the dirt roads of the Bloodgood Nurseries before we checked at the junction of Power House and Searingtown Roads.

From there the line was laid through Ryan's with plenty of fun for all over the jumps which border the field and along the wood trail to Whitney's and a final check before hacking back to the kennels.

The placing of the Juniors into one group proved a popular and successful innovation at the hunt. Mr. Bennett, on his dependable, well-mannered gray mare, gave the youngsters both good sport and safe hunting.

Probably the two most excited and happy youngsters present were Miss Nancy Astor and Miss Deborah Biddle. Nancy was out on a beauti-

ful young chestnut, just acquired from the Walsh Stables, and Deborah was up on a handsome, brown middleweight gelding, vanned in that morning from Rice Farms as a surprise present from her grandfather, W. T. Grant.—Lois Meistrell.

one doubts if they have a faster or straighter one, and with every yard of it over the soundest turf.

After a sandwich in the Runnymede stable yard they went on down country to account for their cocktail hour fox, and the day was done.—Martin Gale.

thawed out a bit in the Club, the members dispersed to their respective homes and sat down with keen appetites to their Thanksgiving turkeys.

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Work and the weather, plus I must confess a certain amount of laziness and an exceptionally good Princeton foot-ball team, have kept me from hunting so far this season. However, driving home from the theater Friday night, the indications were that the morrow would be a fine hunting day. So I determined to have a couple of hours with The Deep Run before joining some friends for the drive to Marion Scott's lovely Montpelier and an afternoon of racing.

The beauty of the morning fulfilled the promise of the night, and six-

thirty found me taking the trees from a pair of shining black boots and hurrying into a well worn scarlet coat. Soon thereafter I was off to the country, where a waiting horse had to be groomed and saddled. Of course, it was a little dry for fox hunting, and the growing warmth of the morning clearly indicated that the meeting hour of nine o'clock would be too late for good scenting. It was unquestionably one of those glorious days in mid-November which makes the good Dr. Freeman rejoice in calling our part of the States the "Virginia Riviera".

As I left the stable to hack slowly on the Ben Gay's new Barnstable Farm where hounds were to meet, I heard to the southward of me the Deep Run Hounds singing in their kennels as the huntsman made his draft for the morning's sport. But as I rode on down to the creek that divides Dr. Hughes property from the Alvis' farm, I distinctly heard other hounds in the far distance to the West, which as I gained the ridge beyond, clearly resolved itself into that symphony which is the beautiful of all music to the ears of the foxhunter, a pack in full cry.

Stopping in a sage brush field at the top of the hill to see if I could hear what was going on, it was soon apparent that the chase was coming directly towards me, from the direction of Gathright's. As we stood there motionless, enchanted with the oncoming hunt, to my surprise and utmost pleasure out from the fringe of woods on the other side of the small ploughed field facing me and not more than a scant hundred yards away, leisurely ambled the biggest, reddest, handsomest fox I have almost ever seen. He strolled along the side of the woods about twenty paces, then turned and headed across the plough straight at me. Half way across he suddenly discovered the scarlet clad figure on the chestnut mare, and with a look of the most comical surprise, came to a full stop, and sat down on his haunches with his mouth hanging open as if to say "Now where the deuce did you come from?". Then recovering his aplomb, he did a slight oblique to the right so as not to run into us, slipped slowly and sedately under the wire fence that divided us from the ploughed land, crossed the field where we were standing, and disappeared from view.

It was exactly two minutes to eight when I viewed Sir Charles, and as he vanished from sight, I couldn't help but rise in my stirrups, and cap in hand make the morning ring with a couple of Tallyhos,—for the benefit I suppose of those "ghost riders in the sky". Some seven minutes later, at five after eight, four hounds burst from the woods where I had first viewed the fox. They over ran badly as they came onto the plough, and were half way across the field to me before their heads went up, and they cast themselves backwards to where Reynard had walked along the edge of the field before crossing over. There were two smallish black hounds, a red boned Virginia, and a scrawny black and white Walker. They puzzled the line out quickly and well, and were soon on their way again.

I'll confess that my first reaction on seeing them, and realising that they were now almost ten minutes behind their fox, was to try and whip them off, and send them back to their masters, parked no doubt some where on the side of the road with their trailer or truck, probably

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Nov. 11. A Field of 20 or more, festive looking with many pink coats about, followed Joint-M. F. H. Thomas Simmons and Walter Jeffords, Jr., Huntsman Heller, Honorary Whipper-in Col. Herkness and Whipper-in Jack Williams, on a long and joyous day of top flight fox hunting. First, a speedy 20 minute run through the Simmons' meadow to Greenbrier, Mendonhall, around the Pig Farm into the Simmons' north meadow where hounds accounted for the fox; next a fox, found in Yarnall's, gave about another swift half hour run, really fast going; and finally, the third fox in Lima Barrens kept hounds working steadily for a full 1 1/2 hours through Running Fox Farm across Turtle Back, past Hunting Hill in the distance, on to Gradyville Road, back, on a long half moon, to Sycamore Mills where hounds were called off, for everyone, hounds, hunters and horses, were gloriously dead beat. No where in the world could there have been sounder, more consistent, or more brilliant hound work—or more thrilling music. And many of the pack are puppies—bless 'em!

Col. Herkness wins the gratitude of Huntsman Heller and Whipper-in Williams, in fact of the whole Field, for his able help as Honorary Whipper-in.

A word as to hunters, the horses! Rose Tree's are, I am sure, as courageous, unfaltering and stout-hearted a crew of equines as ever galloped down the wind. Hats off to Mrs. Peek's young 5-year-old mare, Chippy, that she recently bought from M. F. H. Simmons. Out of a Thoroughbred mare by a Cleveland Bay Stallion, she does credit to that theory of breeding both in looks and in action.—P. G. G.

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now far out of hearing of the chase. But sport is sport, and those poor looking hounds had won my support in the workman like way they were hunting their fox. So I turned my horse, and went after them down the line turned southwards towards the Deep Run Club property.

There I regretfully left them, as the time was getting late, and I particularly wanted to put in an appearance with my own hunt. It was just nine when I arrived at the appointed spot and greeted our Master, George Cole Scott, and his Field of good sportsmen. Little did they suspect that my broad smile of greeting was for ought else than the pleasure of being with them on such a beautiful morning..

This, of course, should end the story, but it doesn't, for there is a sequel to it. As the Deep Run huntsman was uncoupling his hounds preparatory to making his first cast, hounds broke from his control and went away as fast as they could travel at full cry. Through Mr. Gay's property they sped like the wind with huntsman, Master and Field in full pursuit. When once again we came to open ground, my red fox of earlier in the morning was viewed as he crossed the Shallow Well Road with the same four hounds now pressing him hard, and the Deep Run pack close up as well. On through Jack Johnson's he led us, across the small waters of Genito Creek and on up into Waldrops where the great box grows. There he was viewed again as he crossed before us, and gave us an ever so sly wink as he slipped quickly behind the saw dust pile of an abandoned mill and found sanctuary in a ground well hidden beneath a large slab pile. Hounds were whipped off, the pack divided and a splendid morning had come to a close.

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RECENT STAFF MEMBERS

Arnold Shrimpton, the able and imaginative writer from Australia, who received his early indoctrination writing for racing publications in England, is now a regular member of The Chronicle staff. As field representative, Mr. Shrimpton will write on the Thoroughbred breeding industry as he sees it on farms around the country. As an advertising layout man, whose creative work has recently been employed by the Thoroughbred Record, Mr. Shrimpton, will also represent The Chronicle in the development of Thoroughbred advertising programs in this country and in England. His headquarters will be in Lexington, Ky.

John E. O'Brien, a former director of advertising for Ruthrauff and Ryan, is now a regular member of The Chronicle staff. As special assistant to the publisher, Mr. O'Brien is located in New York where he is doing feature material on hunting and polo and working with national advertising accounts with which he has had extensive experience.

In the mid-western section of the country, The Chronicle is represented by Kenneth S. Drake with headquarters in Detroit, Michigan. As Advertising Manager and mid-western representative, Mr. Drake is concentrating his efforts on national advertising programs for The Chronicle as well as seeing that news of the sporting world is being covered by The Chronicle in the mid-western section of the country. Mr. Drake has been on the staff for a year. Formerly connected with Carnegie Steel Corporation, Mr. Drake is an enthusiastic horseman.

ZONE NO. 10

Idaho happens to be in Zone No. 10 of the International Equestrian Competitions Corporation and Hermann Friedlander, vice-president of the zone, has asked Dabney Taylor to round up riders and horses of Olympic trial calibre in the Boise section.

Sad to say this area has never been the haunt of jumpers and hunters (or coot and hern either for

that matter) but nevertheless we have a few quite fair animals that seem to be classified vaguely as hunters (of no known weight, naturally) and/or jumpers. Some of their owners and riders are showing interest in entering the next spring try-outs at the Sacramento State Fair in California.

One encouraging aspect of this particular affair is the fact that Boise is very horse minded from one end of the valley to the other. There are around 2,000 members of Western Riding clubs and also a good number in the Ada County Sheriff posse. Boise has two flat saddle clubs and endless numbers of lone riders. It is the fond hope of Dabney Taylor to get these groups interested in the Olympic Riding events, to support them by memberships in the I. E. C. and also to endeavor to develop riders and horses of merit as jumpers and hunters within their own groups.

ANOTHER IMPORTATION

The astute student of bloodlines, Abram S. Hewitt is once more stocking his farm since his sale to Tinkham Veale II and Sam Costello. Slated to take up where Jacola, *Miss Grilette, and Hilena left off in the stud is the English mare Kannabee. Mr. Hewitt made the purchase of the 9-year-old mare by Phideas—Hempseed at the Newmarket Sales in England on December 4 for \$10,584. Kannabee, which was covered by Borealis, ran 3rd in the 1944 Epsom Oaks to Belair Stud's *Hycilla and won 4 other races.

KENTMERE'S ACQUISITIONS

Mrs. Kenneth N. Gilpin of Kentmere Stud, Boyce, Virginia bought recently at the Newmarket Sale a filly by one of England's ranking sires, Signal Light. She just arrived in this country and is out of Jernpoint. Two other yearling fillies recently bought abroad by Mrs. Gilpin are by Kentmere Stud's *Orestes, having been bought at the Ballsbridge Sales. These two are being broken in England now by Brady Kerr and will be raced abroad before being sent back to this country.

WEATHER MAN STOPS AUCTION

Old man weather, floods, winds and ice put the kibosh on the Llangollen Farm sale advertised for Friday, the 8th of December at Uppererville, Va. With some 250 horses, 75 dogs and several hundred head of cattle, roaming the 3,000 acre farm, Mrs. Cooper Person was feeling pinched for space. With some 80 mares in foal conditions were soon

not going to be better. Lewis Merriman was called and plans were well under way when the bad weather hit the countryside. Mrs. Person's feet, figuratively speaking, grew cold. It was decided to postpone thinning out Llangollen's overcrowded animal population until summer days. Apparently those who come for the sale advertised two weeks ago, will be invited to buy what they like, but the sale has been put off, the weather being the official culprit.

MIGRATING

M. J. Bresnahan, Jr. of Midway, Mass., former hunter and jumper trainer, who now trains his own stable on the flat, stopped in Middleburg to visit friends before going on to the Branchdale Race Track, Holly Hill, S. C., where he will winter his charges. Mr. Bresnahan saddled the son of Bolingbroke, Joe Hogan, (the only 'chaser he handled this year) to win the Suffolk Maiden Hurdle 'Cap' at Suffolk Downs.

AN IRISH BUS

The bus to Limerick was cold, partly because it was not heated, partly as the door and two windows were open. Always the Irish open windows, regardless of their thin clothing; their red noses; their purple hands. It rattled and squeaked along the slushy road.

The conductor finally shut the door. At the next stop, he could not open it. The driver came back and they both pushed and pulled. I remembered then that it had stuck last year. It probably will go on sticking until the bus falls apart—any time in the near future.

My companion got off at that stop and an old woman in a black shawl sat down beside me. She had yellow hair, yellow as corn, wrapped in big braids around her head. She said she was 67 and that she had 22 children. She spoke so fast and with such a brogue, I thought I had not understood. She explained more fully. She had had 24, but two died. Her hair was 39 inches long and she had not washed it for 14 years, just brushed it. The last time she had washed it, 14 years ago, she came down with a "favor."

The conductor had given the door up and left it open. Somebody had closed the windows as it was raining in. A man near us passed around a bag of apples. I passed cigarettes.

At Buttevant, a girl sat down with a dog. She tried to cover the dog with a burlap bag so that the conductor could not see the dog. I offered her a coat I was carrying.

The conductor went by taking tickets. Everybody grinned. The girl looked extremely self conscious. But the conductor did not see the dog. The whole bus was delighted. The girl explained that she had walked five miles into town and that the dog had followed her and if she could not get him on the bus, she would have to walk home with her bundles. The conductor returned to the back of the bus. The passengers all smiled broadly like guilty children. At the next "cross", the bus

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October 26

Hounds met at Rock Ridge Farm, the home of the Master. After seeing a few deer strolling through Battery Farm woods which were not noticed by hounds, we found near Windswept Farm and ran to Meldrum's meadow where it dropped in its old familiar earth. As we entered Red Shield Farm woods, 5 deer jumped out in front of us but hounds opened up strong on a fox. After running stone walls to near Field's Lane, they swung left to Hunting House Hill where they continued to circle, finally driving Reynard out, crossed Hardscrabble and marked their fox in on the former Winter's property. Very dry but a good run with exceptional hound work.

October 28

8 Bells Farm. Very warm and this also turned out to be a very sad day for all the field. Just as we were getting a fox going, "Liz" Browning's horse stumbled after taking a low stone wall and "Liz" suffered a broken neck, three vertebrae, and was rushed to the Danbury Hospital where we hope she will soon be fully recovered, as we all miss "Liz" in the hunt field. She is such a good sport, encouraging and friendly to all. This fox soon went to ground and we were not in the mood to continue the hunt.—C. H.

stopped and the girl handed me my coat and got off with her dog. Everybody and the conductor laughed and we waved to her through the window. At Mallow as we went past the Catholic church, everyone crossed themselves or lifted hats. Then the bus stopped at the Central Hotel and we all said, "Good by! Good luck!" and headed into the rain.

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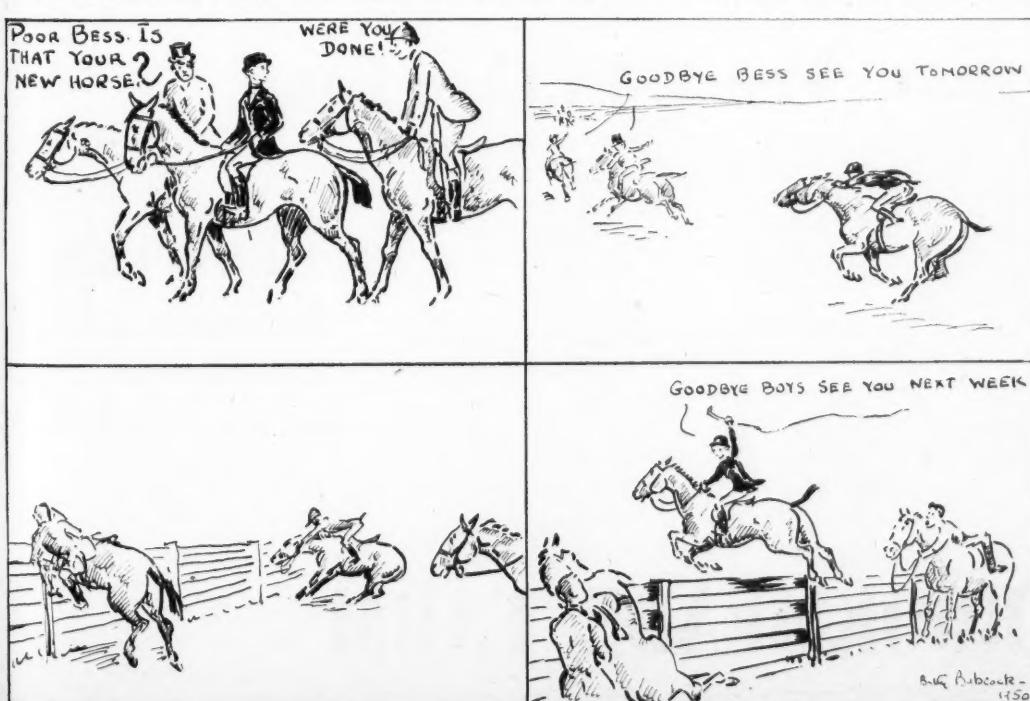
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